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A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PRESERVE OUR WATER, INC. IN SUPPORT OF DETERMINING THE LIKELY RESULTS OF ANY DESIRED FUTURE CONDITION FOR THE TRINITY AQUIFER DURING DROUGHT CONDITIONS EQUIVALENT TO THE SO-CALLED “DROUGHT OF RECORD”

Whereas, historical climate studies indicate that the drought experience in Texas and the southwest US between 1949-57 (“drought of record”) is a relatively common occurrence in this region and,

Whereas, the social and economic impact of such a drought with current and anticipated levels of demand are certain to be far more extreme than experienced during the “drought of record” and,

Whereas, the elected officials and staff comprising GMA 9 have not requested that the Texas Water Development Board include such “drought of record” conditions in the Groundwater Availability Model exercises based on lowering the level of the Trinity aquifer by various amounts and,

Whereas, private citizens and citizen organizations have repeatedly called on GMA 9 representatives to include drought of record conditions in the technical modeling exercises and,

Whereas, the GMA representatives have lodged various arguments in defense of their decision to ignore these requests and,

Whereas, upon examination of each of these arguments we find them deficient and not compelling;

Be it therefore resolved that the Board of Directors of Preserve Our Water, Inc. do respectfully call upon the representatives to GMA 9 to submit to the Texas Water Development Board specifications for additional Groundwater Availability Modeling that includes “drought of record” conditions for any Desired Future Condition before final adoption and,

Be it further resolved that until such modeling of “drought of record” impacts on aquifer levels, outflows and other characteristics we, the Board of Directors of Preserve Our Water, Inc., will publicly oppose final adoption of the Desired Future Condition through appropriate channels and processes.