***Resolution***

**For Texas City ISD to Initiate**

**the Process of Designation as a**

**District of Innovation Under HB 1842**

WHEREAS, the Texas City ISD Board of Trustees is committed to “world class” achievement for every child; and,

WHEREAS, HB 1842 provides Texas public school districts the opportunity to be designated as Districts of Innovation; and,

WHEREAS, Texas districts designated as Districts of Innovation may be exempted from a number of state statutes; and,

WHEREAS, the Texas City ISD Board of Trustees has a long-standing practice of supporting innovation for the benefit of students; and,

WHEREAS, the Texas City ISD Board of Trustees believes that it can be a better decision-making body for students when it has freedom and financial resources to exercise local control over the decision-making process; and,

WHEREAS, HB 1842 requires districts seeking to be designated as Districts of Innovation to develop a local innovation plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Texas City ISD is currently developing a strategic plan for the District to improve school and District performance; and,

WHEREAS, the Texas City ISD Board of Trustees believes that a local innovation plan, if created, should be developed in conjunction with the District Improvement Plan; and,

WHEREAS, before considering the creation of a local innovation plan, the Texas City ISD Board of Trustees conducts a public hearing at the December 13, 2016 meeting to receive any feedback from District stakeholders.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Texas City Independent School District Board of Trustees on December 13, 2016, initiates the process of exploring and considering designation of the District as a District of Innovation under HB 1842.