

RESOLUTION NO. 02-2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WIMBERLEY, TEXAS, TO OBSERVE MAY 9TH, 2020 AS WORLD MIGRATORY BIRD DAY (WMBD) AT THE PATSY GLENN REFUGE, AND, IN THE FUTURE, TO BE OBSERVED THERE AND AT OTHER WIMBERLEY CITY PARKS AND WILDLIFE SANCTUARIES ON DESIGNATED DATES FOR WORLD MIGRATORY BIRD DAY.

WHEREAS, the City of Wimberley is a destination for visitors interested in enjoying the natural environment of the Texas hill country and observing the birds and other wildlife which live here seasonally or year-round, thus making a significant contribution to the local economy. And,

WHEREAS, International Migratory Bird Day is observed at over 600 sites throughout the Americas each year on the second Saturday of May. And,

WHEREAS, by participating in observance of International Migratory Bird Day, Wimberley is satisfying one of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's requirements for consideration as a "Bird City Texas" community. And,

WHEREAS, over one-hundred and ten species of birds, including migratory visitors, have been observed in Wimberley parks including the Patsy Glenn Refuge. And,

WHEREAS, the arrival of migrant bird species in the spring signals the beginning of nesting season for many species. And,

WHEREAS, birds not only provide their songs and colorful plumage for the enjoyment of birding enthusiasts but play an important role in controlling insect pests. And,

WHEREAS, bird populations surveys show that their numbers have declined by a third due to loss of habitat, food sources and other factors. And,

WHEREAS, it is important that the public be made aware of the need to protect natural resources vital to the survival of birds throughout their migratory range, from Canada to South America and points in between. And,

WHEREAS, The Patsy Glenn refuge was created by the Wimberley Birding Society so that the public would be able to observe and learn about birds and their role in the environment. And,

WHEREAS, the Wimberley Birding Society is celebrating the twentieth anniversary of the Patsy Glenn Refuge on May 9th, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WIMBERLEY, TEXAS:

That it declares May 9th, 2020 as World Migratory Bird Day and recognizes the Patsy Glenn Refuge as the primary site of the City's observance of World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) for 2020, and to be joined, in future years, by other City parks and preserves for participation on designated WMBD dates.

THE CITY OF WIMBERLEY, TEXAS

By: *Susan Jagers*
Susan Jagers, Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura J. Calcote
Laura J. Calcote, City Secretary

