

## RESOLUTION

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF THE COUNTY OF POLK, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A FULL APPLICATION FOR ECONOMIC DISASTER SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS FROM THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO ACT AS THE COUNTY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS; AND COMMITMENT OF \$3,854,000.00 OF LOCAL RESOURCES TO COMPLEMENT THE PROPOSED "COMMERCE CENTER."**

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of the County of Polk desires to develop a viable County including educational and economic opportunities for the citizens of Polk County; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration has reviewed the pre-application proposal for the construction of the Commerce Center to house the Polk County College and Polk County Conference Center; and

WHEREAS, upon completion of the review of all the pre-applications submitted for the EDA Economic Disaster Supplemental Fund Application, the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration has invited Polk County to submit a full application in the amount of \$4,000,000.00 of EDA funds for the construction of the proposed "Commerce Center";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF THE COUNTY OF POLK, TEXAS:

1. That a full application be prepared and be submitted to the Economic Development Administration in the amount of \$4,000,000.00 of EDA grant funds for the construction of the Polk County Commerce Center to house the Polk County College and Conference Center.
2. That the representatives of Polk County will work with representatives of Angelina College, Polk County Industrial Development Corporation, the Livingston Polk County Chamber of Commerce, Texas Department of Transportation, private businesses and foundations in the planning and development of the "Commerce Center" to house the Polk County College and Conference Center.
3. In order to complete and complement the proposed development, the County commits the sum of \$3,854,000.00 from the County's grant allocation from the Consolidated Security Disaster Assistance and Continuing Appropriations Act related to the Hurricane Ike disaster as administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Office of Rural Community Affairs.
4. That the County Commissioners Court directs and designates the County Judge as the County's Chief Executive Officer and Authorized Representative to act in all matters in connection with the application and the County's participation on the Economic Disaster Supplemental Fund Project from the Economic Development Administration.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 16th DAY OF March, 2009.

ATTEST:

*Shelana Walker for Barbara Middleton*  
Barbara Middleton, County Clerk

*John P. Thompson*  
John P. Thompson, County Judge  
County of Polk, Texas