



Galveston County Emergency Services District #2

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Resolution of Appreciation Sidney "Sid" Bouse

On this the 27th day of January 2021, the Galveston County Emergency Services District #2 Board of Commissioners convened in a regularly scheduled meeting with the following members thereof present:

Ms. Kate Newberry,	Acting President;
Mr. George Strong,	Treasurer;
Mr. Larry Flanagan,	Assistant Treasurer;
Mr. John Lee Jr.,	Secretary; and,
Mr. Doug Saunders,	District Manager

when the following proceedings, among others, were had, to-wit:

Whereas, Sidney "Sid" Bouse has a long and distinguished history of helping his friends, neighbors and most notably being involved in community-wide projects and programs that will benefit Bolivar Peninsula residents and visitors for generations to come. Sid was able to marry his sweetheart and lifelong partner Joann, in 1980 and subsequently was a part of the Class of 1981 of Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Agriculture; and, began his lifelong career of helping the community in which he lives; and,

Whereas, Sid and Joann decided to relocate their young family to the Bolivar Peninsula in 1985 where they together have raised two successful sons Jim and Scott, both graduates of Texas A&M University. Through Jim and Scott, Sid and Joann have been blessed with four (4) beautiful grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Sid became very active in supporting festivals and other events that served to raise local funding for student scholarships and other community improvement programs. Sid is a unique individual who is just as at home on the seat of a backhoe or bulldozer, fabricating a metal building, welding or building fine furniture as he is in laying out a comprehensive response plan, or Chairing a public meeting; and,

Whereas, Sid's popularity within the community, in addition to his knowledge, skill, integrity, dedication and personal philosophy to "live for others" combined with his sense of duty, are all admirable traits recognized and appreciated by those who have had the good fortune and pleasure of coming in contact with him. This dedication to community resulted in Sid being recognized as the "Bolivar Peninsula Citizen of the Year," in 2013, along with the many other years he was nominated by members of the community; and,

Whereas, following the landfall of Hurricane Ike on September 13, 2008 that devastated the Bolivar Peninsula when things looked their darkest, Sid shined his brightest. Serving as the Chair of the "Bolivar Blueprint" Sid helped lead the community's and frequently Galveston County's response efforts on Bolivar Peninsula. Sid also served as President of the Peninsula Development Coalition (PenDeCo) that pioneered post-Ike efforts to improve infrastructure, assist the return small business to the Bolivar Peninsula, and helped the community really believe there was a viable path through recovery; and,

Whereas, Sid recognized a glaring need for sustainable emergency medical treatment and transport on the Bolivar Peninsula and his efforts along with the Volunteer Fire Departments led to the initial formation of the Peninsula Emergency Medical Service (PEMSI) organization, where Sid served as its first President. Not content with the initial success of PEMS, Sid saw the need to establish a long-term sustainable solution through the creation of an Emergency Service District (ESD). Sid helped lead the effort to create the ESD through the Galveston County Commissioners Court and a public election process. Until his notice of stepping down from the ESD Board of Commissioners at the end of his term in 2020, Sid has served as the President of the ESD Board since its inception; Sid's departure will leave a void in the hearts of the people he has served with for so long and so well. His years of hard work, diligence and wit will remain in the memories of all those who have had the privilege to work with him; and

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved, that the Galveston County Emergency Services District #2 Board of Commissioners' issues this Resolution of Appreciation to **Mr. Sidney "Sid" Bouse**, thanking him for his many years of faithful leadership, unselfish dedication, and devotion to all the citizens of the Bolivar Peninsula.

Upon Motion Duly Made and Seconded, the above Resolution was unanimously passed on this 27th day of January 2021.

Attest:

By: Galveston County Emergency Services District #2


Mr. Doug Saunders, District Manager


Mr. George Strong, Treasurer


Mr. John Lee Jr., Secretary


Ms. Kate Newberry, Acting President


Mr. Larry Flanagan, Assistant Treasurer