RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Transgender History Month is a time to honor the rich history and contributions of transgender and gender-nonconforming history makers; and

WHEREAS, Transgender and gender-nonconforming Americans and their existence are often portrayed as a recent cultural development, despite having existed throughout human history; and

WHEREAS, Transgender and gender-nonconforming Americans are being dehumanized and politicized and their contributions being erased; and

WHEREAS, the Texas government has consistently created laws that specifically target transgender and gender non-conforming individuals and their way of life, continuing to perpetuate discrimination, violence and disparity against them; and

WHEREAS, Transgender and gender non-conforming is a diverse community that is blazing brave new trails, making history, and advocating for equality and inclusion; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Turner, an El Pasoan and veteran, has made history as the first Trans-Woman to be appointed to several city commissions, including the Women's Rights Commission, and continually advocates for "common sense" policy that ensures that El Pasoans are represented; and

WHEREAS, supporting the transgender and gender-nonconforming community by designating October as Transgender History Month will create a culture led by education and recognition of the contributions of transgender El Pasoans; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

Declares the month of October of each year as Transgender History Month and pledges to continue to show its support and stand in solidarity with the Transgender Community honoring our diverse and intersectional community and that the City of El Paso declares itself as a safe haven for Transgender and gender non-conforming families.

Signatures begin on the following page

PASSED AND APPROVED this ______ day of ________, 2023.

THE CITY OF EL PASO:

Oscar Leeser Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura D. Prine

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Jesus A. Quintanilla Assistant City Attorney