

RESOLUTIONS REQUESTING THAT THE NAME OF THE OLD SPANISH TRAIL BE NOT
DISTURBED IN TEXAS BUT SUPPORTED AND CONTINUED IN THE INTEREST
OF THE GREAT HIGHWAY PROJECT RECOGNIZED AND ESTABLISHED
FROM ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA TO SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA.

*The people of Sonora and of Southern Mexico have for six years been acting interested
in and helping develop the Old Spanish Trail from Fla. to Cal. In 1919 one hundred and thirty-five*
① The Galveston Auto-Protective Association in meeting May 25, 1925,
unanimously adopted the following resolutions and requested them to be
submitted to the Governor, the Highway Commission and to the press.

② WHEREAS, the Old Spanish Trail has been under development as a
national highway for ten years and as such has been recognized by the
states through which it passes and by the United States as the basic
trunkline of the South crossing the continent from St. Augustine, Florida
to San Diego, California, and

WHEREAS, citizens of Galveston as early as 1917 joined with citizens
of Houston, Beaumont and Orange and the Louisiana cities in scouting con-
ditions between Houston and New Orleans as its part at that period in
working out the transcontinental route, and this at costs which involved
shipping the cars back from New Orleans by train, and

WHEREAS, through the succeeding years all the southern borderland
cities and towns have helped to carry through this great trunkline
project that the people of the nation might be brought to and spend
their money and time in this southern country, and

④ WHEREAS, it is reported the State Highway Commission has voted or
announced that the section of this highway across Texas should be named
the "Jefferson Davis Memorial Highway" thus aiming at the destruction
of ten years work by Texas citizens and involving Texans in bad faith
with sister states,

and
⑤ THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That we ~~unanimously~~ request the State
Highway Commission to publicly declare the Old Spanish Trail name
across Texas shall remain as planned and that the Highway Department
will continue cooperation with sister states to build a nationally
known trunkline over this route across the continent, and to cooperate
in every possible way to establish the Old Spanish Trail as a great
southern trunkline, and to refuse recognition to any group or interest
seeking to fasten other names upon the highway and thus cause confusion
to travelers and discouragement to the men and women who have worked
so long to create the Old Spanish Trail as the connecting artery be-
tween Florida and California.