

EL PASO COUNTY STATE OF TEXAS

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a quality education is one of the significant foundations for the continuing success of our state, our country, and our society at large; and in El Paso County we strive for the betterment of all of our citizens through an increased focus on education and sharing; and

WHEREAS, through providing the possibility of an excellent education for all, especially children, with which to gain knowledge through rigorous study, we can create hope for a brighter, kinder and more united and prosperous future in the lives of so many; and

WHEREAS, one of the leading global advocates for the advancement of education, the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Schneerson, stressed the importance of moral and ethical education as the bedrock of humanity and the hallmark of a healthy society, and strongly urged that education be reinforced by the inculcation of strong moral values; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the Rebbe's outstanding and lasting contributions toward improvements in world education, morality, and acts of charity, he was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal, and the United States Congress has established his birthdate as a national day to raise awareness and strengthen the education of our children; and

WHEREAS, for more than forty years the President of the United States has recognized and honored the Rebbe's vision each year on that day by proclaiming it "Education & Sharing Day USA"; and

WHEREAS, we presently battle a global pandemic which has disrupted traditional models of education across our nation, while concurrently motivating a focus on the stronger core values we wish to impart to children and adults, beyond academic achievement; and

WHEREAS, we can nurture the unity of diverse peoples through encouraging increased acts of goodness and kindness, imbued with awareness that even a single positive act of an individual can make a major impact in this world.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the El Paso County Judge and Commissioners Court call upon government officials, educators, volunteers, and citizens to reach out to those within your communities and work to create a better, brighter, and more hopeful future for all; and do hereby declare Wednesday, March 24, 2021, as

"EDUCATION AND SHARING DAY"

SIGNED, this 15th day of March 2021

Commissioner Carlos Leon, Pct. 1

Commissioner Iliana Holguin, Pct. 3

Commissioner David Stout, Pct. 2

Commissioner Carl L. Robinson, Pct. 4

County Judge Ricardo A. Samaniego