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Rep. Harrison Applauds Ellis County for Declaring the Biden Border Crisis to be an Invasion

August 23, 2022 - **Waxahachie, TX:** Today, the Ellis County Commissioners' Court voted 5-0 to pass a resolution encouraging Governor Abbott to declare an invasion on the southern border and "take all necessary and legal steps to preserve and protect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Texas."

Statement by Representative Harrison:

"The United States is supposed to be a nation of laws and a nation of borders. President Biden wants neither. I am proud to have encouraged Ellis County to stand up for our shared constituents and all Texans and thankful for the leadership displayed by the Ellis County Commissioners' Court today in requesting Governor Abbott declare an invasion. While unprecedented, given that Texas is the first impacted and the most impacted by the Biden Border Crisis we must do the job Biden refuses to do and secure the border ourselves using every tool and legal authority available."

Background:

The resolution cites the fact that "since January 2021, more than 3.2 million illegal aliens have been apprehended after unlawfully entering the United States. More than 800,000 illegal aliens have avoided apprehension while unlawfully entering the United States and remain unaccounted for within our nation. So far this year, CBP has identified more than 50 known terrorists who have unlawfully entered the United States through our border with Mexico. The unprecedented amount of human trafficking, combined with the smuggling of fentanyl and other opioids infiltrating our southern border has killed over 71,238 American citizens."

In May, Representative Harrison and his colleagues in the Texas Freedom Caucus renewed their call for a declaration of invasion at the southern border stating that they believe Texas has the authority "and it's high time we use it."