RESOLUTION NO. 20110804-022

WHEREAS, the Envision Central Texas planning process encouraged the City of Austin to develop a dense, vibrant, urban infill to meet our regional population growth, and the City of Austin is implementing this vision; and

WHEREAS, the Council adopted resolution number 20090305-013, the 2008 Sidewalk Master Plan for the City of Austin, to set forth policies that will encourage walking as a viable mode of transportation, improve pedestrian safety, and enable people to walk to and from transit stops; and

WHEREAS, the Sidewalk Master Plan will update the right of way portion of the City's Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan and set forth policies that will improve mobility for people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood developed the Tejano Healthy Walking and Tejano Music Legends Trails as a means to preserve historic and cultural amenities in the neighborhood while also encouraging walking as an active, healthy mode of transportation and recreation; and

WHEREAS, connecting parks with other elements of an active transportation system, such as trails, bike lanes, and sidewalks, enhances the quality and utilization of all such facilities; and

WHEREAS, the inclusion of sidewalks, trails, and other pedestrian facilities in the transportation system helps control air pollution and traffic congestion, and thereby increases the overall quality of life in Austin; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The City Council directs the City Manager to work with residents of the East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood to pursue recognition of the Tejano Healthy Walking and Tejano Music Legends Trails as a National Recreational Trail by the United States Secretary of the Interior.

ADOPTED: ______, 2011 ATTEST: _____

Shirley A. Gentry City Clerk