## Know All Men By These Presents:

WHEREAS, The citizens of El Paso County, Texas have always contributed to the general welfare of the community for safety and well-being of our elderly and persons with disabilities; and,

**WHEREAS,** The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services – Adult Protective Services have provided protective services to citizens who are elderly and disabled; and,

**WHEREAS**, Abuse of the elderly and people with disabilities in domestic and institutional settings is a wide-spread problem, affecting hundreds of thousands of people across the country; and,

WHEREAS, Elder abuse happens to men and women of all income levels, all cultural and ethnic groups, whether they are in good health or incapacitated in some way, in poor neighborhoods and in suburbia; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need to continue to raise public awareness regarding the seriousness of the problem and the legal mandate that any person having knowledge of an abused, neglected, or exploited elderly or disabled individual must report to the Department of Family and Protective Services, Adult Protective Services, through the Texas hotline 1-800-252-5400.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the El Paso County Judge and Commissioners' Court that May, 2010 be known as:

## "Elder Abuse Prevention Month in El Paso County, Texas"

SIGNED, this 3 <sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2010.	
Commissioner Annabell Perez, Pct. 1	Commissioner Veronica Escobar, Pct. 2
Commissioner Willie Gandara, Pct. 3	Commissioner Daniel R. Haggerty, Pct. 4
	Anthony Cobos County Judge