Resolution in Support of a "No-Growth" Budget

WHEREAS, the State government is not limited and, in the last two decades, has more nearly tripled in size, far outpacing the growth of population and inflation; and,

WHEREAS, limiting budgetary growth by the metric of population plus inflation does not limit the size of government but only slows the growth of an already bloated budget; and,

WHEREAS, in order to truly limit government, spending must be actively cut and growth stopped completely; and,

WHEREAS, the budgeting process used for the State of Texas largely leaves out the voices of the taxpayers that fund it; and,

WHEREAS, the current budgeting process starts from the previous biennium's budget, assuming that no wasteful or abusive spending occurred by state agencies; and,

WHEREAS, state lawmakers continue to pass a state budget for the next biennium that does not deliver substantial and permanent property tax relief and instead prioritizes corporate welfare schemes and increased spending on state agencies, thereby growing government bureaucracy; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the _____ support freezing the growth of the state budget completely, until wasteful agencies and programs have been abolished and a sustainable size of government is restored.