



EL PASO COUNTY
STATE OF TEXAS

RESOLUTION



WHEREAS, Danny McKillip, an esteemed and beloved coach who dedicated 41 years to the development and success of athletes in El Paso, passed away July 7, 2024 at the age of 76; and

WHEREAS, born September 22nd, 1947, in South Carolina, Danny McKillip attended school in Florida and made his way to El Paso in 1967 after being recruited by legendary UTEP coaches Wayne Vandenburg and Don Haskins, after which he made El Paso his permanent home; and

WHEREAS, Danny McKillip's remarkable career as a cross country and track and field coach at El Paso High School and his profound impact on the community have left an enduring legacy of excellence and inspiration; and

WHEREAS, Under Coach McKillip's guidance, El Paso High School's cross-country team achieved five state titles, and was inducted into the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame, a testament to his dedication and expertise; and

WHEREAS, Coach McKillip's success in athletics was second to his success in the classroom, where he was recognized by his students, administrators and colleagues as a professional committed to getting the best out of his students with unrelenting energy, kindness, and passion; and

WHEREAS, Coach McKillip's own athletic achievements include contributing to UTEP's victory in the 1969 NCAA cross country championship; and

WHEREAS, Danny McKillip's legacy of excellence, dedication, and personal integrity will continue to inspire future generations of athletes and coaches.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the El Paso County Judge and Commissioners Court that we do hereby honor the memory of Danny McKillip and celebrate his exceptional contributions to the sport of track and field and cross country, as well as his profound impact on the lives of countless young students and athletes.*

SIGNED, this 23rd day of September 2024

Commissioner Carlos Leon, Pct. 1

Commissioner David C. Stout, Pct. 2

Commissioner Iliana Holguin, Pct. 3

Commissioner Sergio Coronado, Pct. 4

Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge