





**WHEREAS**, organizations such as the Colorado Farm Bureau, Douglas/Elbert Livestock Association, R-CALF, and others actively engaged in environmental and wild game conservation and agricultural production oppose introduction of Gray Wolves; and


**WHEREAS**, livestock production is a primary agricultural industry critical to the economy of Elbert County and the livelihood of its citizens.


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Elbert County, Colorado as follows:

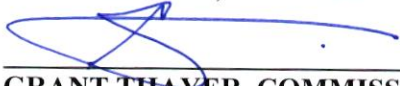
1. The Board opposes any measures to accelerate the increase in the Gray Wolf population already present in the State of Colorado.
2. The Board urges citizens to research this issue, decline to sign any petition to place Initiative #107 on the 2020 general election ballot, and to vote against the measure if it does appear on the ballot.
3. The Board supports the historic stand taken by the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Division against the introduction of the Gray Wolf most recently articulated in their Resolution 16-1.
4. The Board supports the actions initiated to remove the Gray Wolf from the Endangered Species List and return management of any current wolf populations to state wildlife conservation agencies and public health officials.
5. The Board requests that if a ballot measure to introduce the Gray Wolf does pass with a majority of voter approval, that the legislature ensure funding is provided to offset the negative impact on livestock, wildlife management, hunting and any other segments of local economies.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 11th day of December, 2019.

Upon a Motion duly made and seconded, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:

  
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CHRIS RICHARDSON, COMMISSIONER AYE

  
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RICK PETTITT, COMMISSIONER AYE

  
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GRANT THAYER, COMMISSIONER AYE

ATTEST: DALLAS SCHROEDER  
COUNTY CLERK

BY:   
DEPUTY CLERK TO THE BOARD – Amanda Moore

