Date

IDA Board of Directors

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Dear IDA Board of Directors,

I was pleased to learn of McDonald Observatory’s application for the Big Bend International Dark Sky Reserve designation. As a *resident/business owner* of *Jeff Davis/Brewster/Presidio/Reeves* County I would like to share my full support of this application.

I also support the lighting management plan that would be in effect for this region. As a *resident/business owner* I am already beholden by the lighting ordinance in place in the *county name/city name* and am committed to ensuring that my external lighting complies with the lighting management plan and ordinances as written. This includes maintaining fully shielded outdoor lighting fixtures, the use of warm white builds in outdoor fixtures, and limiting how much outdoor lighting I am using on my property.

The designation as an International Dark Sky Reserve for this region has many positive impacts, including ecological, human health, and increased tourism, as well as protecting professional and amateur astronomy for the future.

In conclusion, I fully support McDonald Observatory’s application to the International Dark Sky Association for the proposed regions of Southwest Texas and Northern Mexico to be designated as an International Dark Sky Reserve.

Yours sincerely,