ORDER CALLING ELECTION TO ADOPT A LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN THE DISTRICT

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WHEREAS, in accordance with Sections 775.0751 and 775.0752 of the Texas Health & Safety Code, Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 7 ("District") wishes to order an election to adopt a local sales and use tax in the District in an amount not to exceed two percent (2%);

WHEREAS, the District desires to adopt a local sales and use tax not to exceed two percent (2%) for all eligible areas located within the boundaries of the District;

WHEREAS, the boundaries of the District are wholly located within Burnet County;

WHEREAS, to the extent known by the District, the City of Burnet collects a local sales and use tax within a portion of the District of two percent (2%);

WHEREAS, to the extent known by the District, the City of Burnet is within a portion of the District;

WHEREAS, to the extent known by the District, Burnet County does not collect local sales and use tax and there are no other entities within the boundaries of the District that collect any portion of the available local sales and use tax;

WHEREAS, based upon the facts stated above, and if the District's election is successful, two percent (2%) local sales and use tax is available to the areas that are located within the boundaries of the District and outside the City of Burnet;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the District wishes to proceed with the ordering of an election for May 3, 2025, the next available uniform election date, and appointing election officials required for the conduct of the election, and has deemed it advisable to call the election hereinafter ordered; and

WHEREAS, the meeting to adopt this Order was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551, Government Code, as amended.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BURNET COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7:

<u>Section 1:</u> The matters and facts set out in the recitals of this Order are hereby found and declared to be true and complete.

<u>Section 2:</u> That an election shall be held by the District between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on May 3, 2025, in the District at the Burnet County precinct polling place locations within the boundaries of the District at which there shall be submitted the question of adopting the local sales and use tax for all areas within the District in which any percentage of local sales and use tax is available.

<u>Section 3:</u> Voting in the election must be by the use of electronic ballots and must be available in both English and Spanish and conform to the requirements of the Texas Election Code. Oral bilingual assistance must be available during the election and may be obtained by contacting the presiding judge or the alternate presiding judge at the polling location. The ballots used in the election must have printed thereon the following proposition:

PROPOSITION A: The adoption of a local sales and use tax in Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 7 at a rate not to exceed two percent (2%) in any location in the District.

Each voter may vote for or against the proposition by placing an "X" in the square beside the word "FOR" or in the square beside the word "AGAINST".

<u>Section 4:</u> The polling place for each such election precinct shall be the polling place established by Burnet County for such election precincts in Burnet County. Early voting dates, time and locations and the election day polling locations are as determined by Burnet County.

The presiding judges, alternate presiding judges and clerks for the election selected and appointed by Burnet County in compliance with the requirements of state law are hereby designated and appointed election officers for the holding of this election. The presiding judges, alternate presiding judges and clerks shall perform the functions and duties of their respective positions that are provided by state law. Early voting in the election by personal appearance shall begin on April 21, 2025, and shall continue through April 29, 2025. The Clerk for Early Voting is Doug Ferguson, Burnet County Elections Officer, and early voting will be conducted at polling locations established by Burnet County for early voting.

The Early Voting Clerk's mailing address to which ballot applications and ballots to be voted by mail may be sent is: Doug Ferguson, Early Voting Clerk, 220 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas 78611. The Early Voting Clerk's email address is <u>elections@burnetcountytexas.org</u>.

Section 5: The election shall be held and conducted and returns made of this election in accordance with the Texas Election Code, as modified by Chapter 775 of the Texas Health & Safety Code.

<u>Section 6:</u> All qualified residents of the District shall be entitled to vote in the election.

<u>Section 7:</u> The Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to cause notice of this election to be published in both Spanish and English in a newspaper of general circulation within the District pursuant to §4.003 of the Election Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 27th day of January 2025.



BURNET COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7

John Smallwood, President Board of Commissioners

ATTES/

Roy Hallmark, Secretary Board of Commissioners

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CERTIFICATE FOR ORDER

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COUNTY OF BURNET

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The undersigned officer of the Board of Commissioners ("Board") of Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 7 hereby certifies as follows:

1. The Board of Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 7 ("District") convened in a regular meeting on the 27th day of January 2025, at the Burnet Community Center, located at 401 E. Jackson Street, Burnet, Texas, and the following officers and members of the Board:

| John Smallwood | | - | President |
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| Clayton Smith | | - | Vice President |
| Roy Hallmark | | - | Secretary |
| Brenda Goble | | - | Treasurer |
| Randy Hartman | | - | Asst. Treasurer/Secretary |
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were present, except Commissioner(s) $\frac{Randy}{Harfman}$, thus constituting a quorum. Among other business, an:

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was introduced for the consideration of the Board. It was then duly moved and seconded that the Order be adopted, and, after discussion, the motion prevailed and carried by majority vote.

2. A true, full and correct copy of the Order adopted at the meeting described in the above paragraph is attached to this certificate. The Order has been duly recorded in the District's minutes of the meeting. The persons named in the paragraph above are the duly chosen, qualified and acting officers and members of the Board as indicated in paragraph 1. Each of the officers and members of the Board was notified officially and personally, in advance, of the time, place and purpose of the Board meeting, and that the Order would be introduced and considered for adoption at the meeting. Each of the officers and members consented, in advance, to holding the meeting for such purpose. The meeting was open to the public as required by law, and public notice of the time, place and subject of the meeting was given as required by Chapter 551 of the Government Code.

SIGNED AND SEALED the 7th day of FEDFWARY 2025.

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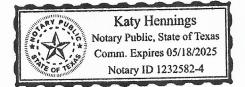
Roy Hallmark, Secretary Board of Commissioners

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This instrument was acknowledged before me on the $\underline{74}^{W}$ day of \underline{FU} (MO-(Y 2025, by Roy Hallmark, Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Burnet County Emergency Services District No. 7, on behalf of the District.

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Notary Public, State of Texas