RESOLUTION OPPOSING LEGISLATION REQUIRING THAT AN EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT ENTER INTO A SALES AND LAND USE TAX SHARING AGREEMENT WITH A CITY UPON ANNEXATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON §

WHEREAS, Williamson County Emergency Services District No. 3 ("District") is a political subdivision of the State of Texas, organized and operating pursuant to the provisions of Section 48-e, Article III of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 775 of the Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, the District finds it to be in the public interest to oppose legislation requiring that an Emergency Services District (ESD) enter into a sales and land use tax sharing agreement with a city upon annexation and, if negotiations fail, engage in binding arbitration or mediation that may come before the 89th Texas Legislature in 2025; and

WHEREAS, the District has identified specific legislative issues that significantly impact the District and its residents, and finds it necessary to voice opposition on these matters to effectively represent the interests of its citizens, businesses, and visitors.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3 RESOLVES THAT:

<u>Section 1</u>. The recitals of this resolution are hereby found to be true and correct and are hereby adopted as findings for the District and are incorporated into the body of this Resolution as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The District hereby approves and adopts the following Legislative Position:

Opposes legislation requiring that an Emergency Services District (ESD) enter into a sales and land use tax sharing agreement with a city upon annexation and, if negotiations fail, engage in binding arbitration or mediation.

- <u>Section 3</u>. The District hereby approves and authorizes the Board President, Fire Chief, and General Counsel or his designee to communicate as follows:
 - A. Legislators: The District directs the General Counsel or the Fire Chief to provide a copy of this Resolution to The Honorable Charles Schwertner, State Senator for District 5, and The Honorable Caroline Harris Davila, State Representative for District 52.
 - B. Association: The District directs General Counsel or the Fire Chief to provide a copy of this Resolution to the Texas State Association of Fire and Emergency Districts.

C. Advocacy: The District listed above are hereby authorized to advocate and otherwise convey positions expressed herein in accordance with state and federal law.

<u>Section 4.</u> This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

ADOPTED this 23rd day of January 2025.

WILLIAMSON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3

Bv:

Todd Robison, President

ATTEST:

Dan Hejl, Secretary

CERTIFICATE FOR RESOLUTION

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The undersigned officer of the Board of Commissioners ("Board") of Williamson County Emergency Services District No. 3 hereby certifies as follows:

1. The Board of Williamson County Emergency Services District No. 3 ("District") convened in a regular session on the 23rd day of January 2025, 501 Exchange Blvd., Hutto, Texas, and the following officers and members of the Board:

Todd Robison - President

MariClare Gaidsick - Vice President

Dan Hejl - Secretary

Stephan Balderas - Treasurer

Henry Gideon - Assistant Treasurer

were present, except Commissioner(s) <u>here for the formal and the </u>

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

2. A true, full and correct copy of the Resolution adopted at the meeting described above is attached to this certificate. The Resolution has been 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 Resolution 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 231 day of January 2025.

Dan Hejl, Secretary Board of Commissioners

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This instrument was acknowledged before me on the 23° day of January 2025, by Dan Hejl, Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Williamson County Emergency Services District No. 3, on behalf of the District.

MARYANN BUCHANAN
Notary Public, State of Texas
Comm. Expires 04-29-2028
Notary ID 1922502

Notary Public Signature