ORDER FOR ELECTION TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 8, 2022 ON THE PROPOSITION OF APPROVAL OF THE 2022 AD VALOREM TAX RATE OF TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 AS PROVIDED UNDER TAX CODE, §26.07.

WHEREAS, TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 (the "District") operates pursuant to Texas Constitution, Article III, Section 48-e, and Chapter 775, Health & Safety Code;

WHEREAS, §26.07, Tax Code, requires that if the governing body of a taxing unit other than a special taxing unit adopts a tax rate that exceeds the greater of the taxing unit's voter-approval tax rate and de minimis rate, then the registered voters of the taxing unit must determine whether to approve the adopted tax rate at an election held for that purpose.

WHEREAS, §26.07(c), Tax Code, requires that such Election be held in conformity with §41.001, of the Texas Election Code, providing for Uniform Election Dates.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that an Election be held in TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., on the following proposition:

"Approving the ad valorem tax rate of \$0.10 per \$100 valuation in Travis County Emergency Services District No. 1 for the current year, a rate that is \$0.0267 higher per \$100 valuation than the voter-approval tax rate of Travis County Emergency Services District No. 1, for the purpose of maintaining fire protection and rescue services. Last year, the ad valorem tax rate in Travis County Emergency Services District No. 1 was \$0.10 per \$100 valuation.

## IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

- 1. The ballot for the Election shall provide for voting "for" or "against" the above stated proposition. A majority of the votes cast either "for" or "against" the proposition shall determine whether the proposition is adopted. A vote "for" shall mean a vote in favor of the proposition and a vote "against" shall mean a vote against the proposition.
- 2. The Election may be held jointly with other Travis County entities under the Joint Election Agreement promulgated by the Travis County Elections Office.
- 3. The Election will be conducted by the Travis County Elections Office under the terms of the Election Services Agreement promulgated by the Travis County Elections

Office. To the fullest extent allowed by law, the District delegates to the Travis County Elections Administrator all election duties described in the Agreement.

- 4. The Election shall be held within the Election Precincts and at the Polling Places designated by the Elections Administrator (also called "Contracting Officer") pursuant to the Travis County Election Order for the Travis County elections scheduled for November 8, 2022, subject to any such changes as may be made under the authority of such Order. The designation is adopted and approved by the Board of ESD Commissioners.
- 5. Only persons qualified to vote within the geographic boundaries of TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 shall be allowed to vote in the TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 Election.
- 6. The Notice of the Election shall be prepared in accordance with law and shall be given by publication of the Notice of Election. Such publication shall be made at least one time in a daily newspaper of general circulation within the geographic boundaries of the District, said publication to be made not earlier than the 30th day nor later than the 10th day before the Election Date. Further, a copy of such Notice shall, not later than the 21st day before the Election Date, be posted on the bulletin board or other place conspicuous to the public used for posting Notices of the meetings of the District Board of Emergency Services Commissioners and a copy shall be filed with the County Clerk of Travis County, Texas. After publication, the District Board of Emergency Services Commissioners shall retain a copy of the published Notice that contains the name of the newspaper in which it was published and the date of publication.
- 7. Travis County's certified electronic voting equipment is to be used in the November 8, 2022 Joint Election, as described in the Joint Election Agreement and/or Election Services Agreement.
- 8. Rebecca Guerrero, is hereby designated as the Early Voting Clerk for this Election. Early voting shall be conducted from October 24, 2022 (the date which represents the earliest date on which early voting may begin) through November 4, 2022 (the date which represents the last day on which early voting may be performed). As ordered by the District Board of Emergency Services Commissioners, early voting will be conducted on the dates and hours and at the locations designated by the Elections Administrator pursuant to the Order of Travis County for the Travis County elections.
- 9. For the use of those voters in the District who are entitled by law to vote early by mail, the Early Voting Clerk above named shall receive applications for early voting ballots to be voted by mail in accordance with the Texas Election Code. For the use of those voters who are entitled by law to vote an early voting ballot by mail, the District shall provide each voter with a paper ballot and instructions to make a mark on the paper ballot.

- 10. As described in the Election Services Agreement, the District Board orders that ballot applications and ballots voted shall be sent to the Early Voting Clerk at P.O. Box 149325, Austin, Texas 78714, or as otherwise designated by the Travis County Early Voting Clerk. The ballot applications must be received by October 28, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. (noon). If any Application for Ballot By Mail is submitted by email or fax or if a Federal Post Card Application is submitted by fax, to be effective, the application must also be submitted by mail and be received not later than the fourth (4th) business day after it is received by email or fax. All requests for early voting ballots to be voted by mail that are received by the District shall be forwarded in person or by email or fax to the Contracting Officer on the day of receipt. Original applications that are received by mail and forwarded by email or fax must also be mailed to the Contracting Officer for all processing. The Regular Early Voting Clerk for the District, as defined in the Election Services Agreement between Travis County and the District, may also receive applications and forward same to the Early Voting Clerk, as described in the Election Services Agreement.
- The following concurrent and subsequent Orders, among other Orders, may be made by the District to facilitate the Election: Joint Election Agreement; Order Approving and Appointing an Agent; Order Approving a Contract with Travis County; Order Establishing And Designating Election Precincts And Polling Places; Order Appointing Presiding Election Judge(s); Order Appointing Early Voting Ballot Board; Order Appointing An Early Voting Clerk; Order Establishing And Designating A Polling Place; Resolution Adopting Voting System.
- In accordance with all applicable Federal and State law, there shall be provided Spanish translation of the ballot as well as other applicable election materials.
- This Order constitutes the Election Order of TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 Election to approve the 2022 ad valorem tax rate of TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1.

ADOPTED at Open Meeting this the 18th day of August, 2022, by a vote of

TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1

By:

Tony Marshall

President