ORDINANCE NO. 2024-1 [ELECTION ORDER]

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MOBILE CITY, TEXAS ACCEPTING THE PETITION FILED FOR AN ELECTION TO CONSIDER CONSOLIDATING THE TOWN WITH THE CITY OF FATE, TEXAS AND ORDERING AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE UNIFORM ELECTION DATE OF MAY 4, 2024; ORDERING NOTICES OF ELECTION TO BE GIVEN AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH ELECTION; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Mobile City and the City of Fate are general law municipal corporations organized and existing by virtue of the laws of the State of Texas and are contiguously located within Rockwall County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 61 of the Texas Local Government Code provides for the consolidation of two municipal governments into a single incorporated entity and establishes a procedure to accomplish such a consolidation; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Mobile City's commission was presented a petition to consolidate the Town with Fate, Texas and has been verified to contain the sufficient number of signatures of registered voters to call an election; and

WHEREAS, an election shall be held and administered by the Rockwall County Election Office in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF MOBILE CITY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. RECITALS TRUE AND CORRECT. The Recitals above are true and correct and are incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes.

SECTION 2. ELECTION CALLED. The Commission of Mobile City hereby orders a consolidation election to be held on the Uniform Election Date of May 4, 2024. The election will be conducted by the Rockwall County Elections Officer in accordance with the procedures adopted by the Rockwall County Elections Office and the Texas Election Code. The early voting polling times and locations for the election shall been determined by the Rockwall County Election Officer pursuant to the procedures adopted by the Rockwall County Elections Office and the Texas Election Code.

SECTION 3. BALLOT LANGUAGE. The ballot language shall be for or against consolidating the Town of Mobile City, Texas into Fate, Texas.

The ballot language shall read:

The consolidation of the Town of Mobile City, Texas with the City of Fate, Texas.

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SECTION 4. ELECTION ORDER AND NOTICE. This Ordinance or a separate

Order complying with the provisions herein shall serve as notice and order of election and shall be posted as required by law.

<u>SECTION 5.</u> SEVERABILITY. Should any word, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this ordinance be adjudged or held to be void or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take effect from and dafter its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF MOBILE CITY, TEXAS ON THIS 2nd DAY OF JANUARY 2024.

APPROVED:

MOBILE CITY, TEXAS

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