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**MARCH 15, 2018**

**NOTICE AND AGENDA  
SPECIAL CALL MEETING**

**TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE MUSKOGEE CITY COUNCIL**

**SWEARING IN OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS**

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Muskogee, Oklahoma, I do hereby issue a call for a Special Call Meeting of the Muskogee Council to convene:

**DATE: MARCH 19, 2018**  
**TIME: 5:30 P.M.**  
**PLACE: COUNCIL CHAMBERS, THIRD FLOOR  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 3RD & OKMULGEE**

**ROLL CALL**

**PURPOSE:**

1. Discuss and take action appointing a Deputy Mayor, pursuant to Council Policy 1-8.  
(Mayor Bob Coburn)
2. Consider approval to correct the term of appointment of Pamela Hale to the Chamber of Commerce Committee for Convention and Tourism, from term ending on March 30, 2020 to term ending on March 30, 2021, or take other necessary action. (Roy Tucker)
3. Consider and take possible action on Resolution No. 2713 supporting Marsy's Law for Oklahoma, SQ 794, or take other necessary action (Councilor Marlon Coleman).

The City Clerk is hereby authorized to give each member of the Muskogee City Council notice of this Special Call Meeting as provided by the Charter of the City of Muskogee, Oklahoma.

**ADJOURN**

**Special City Council****2.**

Meeting Date: 03/19/2018

Submitted For: Roy Tucker, City Attorney

Initiator: Tammy Tracy, City Clerk

Department: City Clerk

Staff Information Source:

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**Information****AGENDA ITEM TITLE:**

Consider approval to correct the term of appointment of Pamela Hale to the Chamber of Commerce Committee for Convention and Tourism, from term ending on March 30, 2020 to term ending on March 30, 2021, or take other necessary action. (Roy Tucker)

**BACKGROUND:**

At the City Council meeting held on March 12, 2018, Pamela Hale was appointed to the Chamber of Commerce Committee for Convention and Tourism. Her term was listed as a two (2) year term however, it should have been a three (3) year term. This is to correct that error. Her term will run until March 30, 2021.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Recommend approval.

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**Fiscal Impact****Attachments**

*No file(s) attached.*

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**Special City Council**

**3.**

**Meeting Date:** 03/19/2018

**Submitted For:** Mike Miller, City Manager

**Initiator:** Mike Miller, City Manager

**Department:** City Manager

**Staff Information Source:**

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**Information**

**AGENDA ITEM TITLE:**

Consider and take possible action on Resolution No. 2713 supporting Marsy's Law for Oklahoma, SQ 794, or take other necessary action (Councilor Marlon Coleman).

**BACKGROUND:**

Marsy's Law for Oklahoma SQ 794 is intended to give crime victims equal constitutional standing during criminal investigations, in court, and during the pardon and parole process and to make sure that if crime victims do not receive equal treatment they have recourse with the courts.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Request staff to prepare a resolution of support for the mayor's signature.

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**Fiscal Impact**

**Attachments**

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## **RESOLUTION NO. 2713**

### **A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PASSAGE OF SQ794, KNOWN AS “MARSY’S LAW,” AMENDING SECTION 34 OF ARTICLE II OF THE OKLAHOMA CONSTITUTION; PROVIDING FOR EXPANDED RIGHTS OF VICTIMS OF CRIMES**

**WHEREAS**, the Oklahoma Legislature passed Joint Resolution No. 46, as Legislative Referendum No. 371, directing the Secretary of State to refer to the people a proposed amendment to Article II, Section 34 of the Oklahoma Constitution;

**WHEREAS**, the proposed amendment has been designated as State Question 794 to be placed on the ballot and voted on by the citizens of the State of Oklahoma on the 6<sup>th</sup> of November, 2018;

**WHEREAS**, State Question 794, also known as “Marsy’s Law,” would expand rights of crime victims by: a) expanding the court proceedings at which a victim has the right to be heard; b) adding a right to reasonable protection; c) adding a right to proceedings free from unreasonable delay; d) adding a right to talk with the prosecutor; e) allowing victims to refuse interview requests from the defendant’s attorney without a subpoena;

**WHEREAS**, “Marsy’s Law” was named after Marsalee (Marsy) Nichols, a student at the University of California Santa Barbara, who was stalked and killed by her ex-boyfriend in 1983.

**WHEREAS**, a week after Marsy’s murder, her parents were confronted by the accused murderer in a public place, having no knowledge that he had been released from jail, and causing them unnecessary grief;

**WHEREAS**, the amendment would grant similar rights to those that have been afforded to crime victims and their families in California, Illinois, North Dakota, South Dakota and Ohio, such as fair treatment, reasonable and timely notice of hearings, upon request, and to be informed of all rights enumerated;

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma supersedes any Oklahoma Statute, municipal ordinance, or regulation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MUSKOGEE, MUSKOGEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA:**

**SECTION 1.** The City of Muskogee hereby expresses its support for State Question 794, expanding the rights of victims of crimes as more fully set forth in the recitals.

**SECTION 2.** The City of Muskogee urges its citizens to approve State Question 794 in support of crime victims and their families.

ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF MARCH, 2018.

CITY OF MUSKOGEE

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JOHN R. COBURN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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TAMMY L. TRACY, CITY CLERK

(SEAL)

Approved as to form and legality this 19<sup>TH</sup> day of March, 2018.

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ROY D. TUCKER, CITY ATTORNEY