State of Texas County of Williamson Know all men by these presents:

That on the 9th day of January 2024 the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas met in duly called session at the Williamson County Courthouse, 710 Main Street, Georgetown, Texas, with the following members present:

Bill Gravell, Jr., County Judge Terry Cook, Commissioner Precinct One Cynthia P. Long, Commissioner Precinct Two Valerie Covey, Commissioner Precinct Three Russ Boles, Commissioner Precinct Four

And at said meeting, among other business, the Court considered the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Williamson County Commissioners Court has approved approximately \$77 million dollars in allocations for water and wastewater infrastructure projects through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) on May 24, 2022; and

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2023, the Williamson County Commissioners Court approved a \$1 million dollar allocation for a contracted underground water study of aquifers to identify aquifer levels, usage and long-term sustainability for population growth; and

WHEREAS, on May 23, 2023, the Williamson County Commissioners Court authorized the Purchasing Agent to advertise and receive sealed qualifications for Consulting Services for the Williamson County Groundwater Study under #23RFSQ79; and

WHEREAS, after a selection process by an appointed committee, the above Groundwater Study was awarded to LRE Water, LLC on December 19th, 2023; and

WHEREAS, LRE is also partnering with other regional experts, such as the Bureau of Economic Geology and Baylor University to provide the best groundwater science to Williamson County; and

WHEREAS, the Williamson County Commissioners Court is eager to receive the results of the contracted Groundwater Study and will endeavor to take actions that are identified in the study to protect the long-term viability of aquifers in the County, while also protecting local control of our vital water resource.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Williamson County Commissioners Court is seeking scientific information on the aquifers impacting Williamson County and does not support the proposed annexation of Western Williamson County into the Bell County Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (CUWCD).

RESOLVED THIS 9TH DAY OF JANUARY 2024.

Valerie Covey,

Valerie Covey, Presiding Officer