ORDER OF COMMISSIONERS COURT OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS AUTHORIZING INTERMENT OF DECEDENT'S REMAINS

(James Delbert Screws Jr.)

Pursuant to the Laws and Rules of the State of Texas, the Texas Health & Safety Code, Chapter 711, Section 711.002(e), and the common law granting the County authority to regulate the public health and safety, the Commissioners Court of Williamson County finds that:

James Delbert Screws Jr. (SSN xxx-xx-5806) passed away on March 15, 2024, at the age of 67, at his residence located in Round Rock, Williamson County, Texas.

The Court also finds that there has been an investigation to obtain information regarding next of kin and the ability to pay for interment expense. However, all attempts to contact any known next of kin of the deceased's family have failed to identify any responsible or known next of kin with the ability to pay for necessary expenses. In the facts presented in this case, the deceased's body has either become abandoned or those with the ability to pay are unable to do so.

The Court finds that this case involves either an abandoned body or is qualified for indigent burial; therefore, the duty to cover the costs of interment

falls to Williamson County.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT the deceased body shall be interred (i.e., permanent disposition of remains by entombment, burial, or placement in a niche).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT Beck Funeral Home is granted authority to cremate the deceased.

Signed and entered this 7th day of May 2024.

Valerie Covey
Hon. Bill Gravell Valence Covey
Williamson County Judge Presiding officer