ELECTION ORDER AND NOTICE CARTHAGE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF PANOLA

On this the 16th day of January, 2024, the Board of Trustees of Carthage Independent School District convened in regular session with the following members present to witness:

Dr. Ben Donald, President

Frank Willis, Vice President

Brenda Giles, Member

Mary Ella Sherman, Secretary

Elzie Hicks, Member

and the following absent: _____ constituting a quorum and among other proceedings had by said Board of Trustees was the following:

Truman Shirey, Member

WHEREAS, it is necessary for this Board to pass an order establishing the procedure for conducting said election to elect three single district members to the Carthage Independent School District Board of Trustees.

WHEREAS, it is officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Order was passed was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by V.T.C.A., Government Code, Chapter 561, as amended.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES of Carthage Independent School District:

That an election be held in said School District from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 4, 2024 in the District in the regular voting precincts and polling places as follows:

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LOCATION OF POLLING PLACES:

1	Carthage Missionary Baptist Church
2	Carthage Community House
27	Turner Alumni Center
28	Carthage Civic Center

That each voting box number shall consist of the territory described and set opposite the voting box number as follows:

Voting Box No. 1	Voters	resid	ing :	in	Single	Member
	District	5 in	Cour	ity	Voting	Precincts
	Number	red 1, 2	2, 27, 3	28	_	

That an election be held in said School District from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 4, 2024 in the District in the regular voting precincts and polling places as follows:

Voting Box Number	Polling Place
1	Carthage Missionary Baptist Church 916 W Sabine St. Carthage, Texas 75633
2	Carthage Community House 200 Park Drive, Carthage, Texas 75633
27	Turner Alumni 1023 MLD B <u>LVD,</u> Carthage, Texas 75633
28	Carthage Civic Center 1802 S. Adams St., Carthage, Texas 75633

3. That the following persons are hereby appointed judges for said election:

Polling Place	<u>Judge</u>
Carthage Missionary Baptist Church	Kirby Hill
Carthage Community Center	Matt Pittman
Turner Alumni Center	James Marshall
Carthage Civic Center	Chantal Hedlund

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4. Early voting shall be conducted by personal appearance and by mail. Early voting by personal appearance or by mail for the above designated election shall be held at:

Panola County Elections Office 110 S. Sycamore St., Room 100 Carthage, Texas 75633

Other early voting places may be determined and posted at a later date within the appropriate guidelines. The period of early voting is required or permitted by law shall be Monday, April 22, 2024 through Tuesday, April 30, 2024. The Election Order and Notice

hours designated for early voting by personal appearance shall be during the regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Panola County Elections Office. Election Day is Saturday, May 4, 2024 from 7:00a.m. to 7:00p.m.; with no early voting on Saturdays, Sundays, and or legal state holidays; and the early voting clerk shall keep said early voting place open during such hours for early voting by personal appearance. The early voting clerk shall be Loretta Mason.

An early ballot board is hereby created to process early voting results. The Board of Trustees hereby appoints Loretta Mason as the election coordinator and election judge of said board. The presiding judge shall appoint at least two other members to the early ballot board.

All resident qualified electors of the District shall be entitled to vote at said election.

The official ballots for said election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote in Carthage Independent School District Trustee Election, to elect three single district members to the Carthage Independent School District Board of Trustees.

5. The manner of holding the election shall be governed, as near as may be, by <u>The State of Texas Election Code</u>. The School District Board of Trustees will furnish all necessary ballots and other election supplies prerequisite to said election in English and Spanish.

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- 6. The presiding judges for said election shall return to Loretta Mason, election coordinator, immediately after the closing of the polls, the ballot box containing the voted ballots and all other election supplies. Said ballot box shall be preserved and kept in accordance with the terms and provisions of The Texas Education Code.
- 7. Immediately after said election has been held, the officials holding the same shall return to the President of the Board of Trustees in a sealed envelope a copy of the returns, poll list, and tally sheet for said election. This set of election returns shall be used by the Board of Trustees in canvassing said election.
- 8. The secretary of the Board of Trustees shall forthwith issue a notice of said election by posting copies of this order at three different places within the boundaries of said school district. Posting shall be done not less than 21 days prior to the date for said election and by publishing said notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the District, with such publication to be no more than 30 days and not less than 10 days prior to the date set for said election.

The above order being read, it was moved and seconded that the same to pass. Thereupon, the question being called for, the following members of the Board voted AYE:

Dr. Ben Donald	Mr. Truman Shirey
Mr. Frank Willis	
Mrs. Mary Ella Sherman	
Mr. PaulaBeatty	
Mrs. Brenda Giles	œ.
Mr. Elzie Hicks	
And the following voted NO:	
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President, Board of Trustees

Secretary, Board of Trustees