RESOLUTION NO. #24-004

LONE STAR GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION CALLING NOVEMBER 5, 2024, SPECIAL ELECTION OF DIRECTORS - ORDER OF ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY §

WHEREAS, the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District ("District") is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and a conservation district organized and existing under and by virtue of Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution, and operates pursuant to Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code and the District's enabling legislation (Chapter 1321, Acts of the 77th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, as amended) ("Enabling Act");

WHEREAS, the Texas Legislature enacted House Bill 1982 ("HB 1982") to be effective on September 1, 2017, which amended the District's Enabling Act to provide that the District will be governed by a board of seven (7) elected directors; and

WHEREAS, the District Board of Directors ("Board") desires to order a special election of directors to be held on November 5, 2024, in accordance with HB 1982, Section 36.051(c) of the Texas Water Code, and the laws of the State of Texas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LONE STAR GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT THAT:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein for all purposes.

Section 2. The District Board hereby orders a special election to be held as part of its regularly scheduled directors' election to fill the unexpired term of a director appointed due to vacancy pursuant to Section 36.051(c) of the Texas Water Code. The special election will be held to elect (1) director position to fill the unexpired term of the position through December 1, 2026, as follows:

Place 7: One director elected by the voters of The Woodlands Township (within the District).

Section 3. The District will contract with Montgomery County in order for Montgomery County to provide election services on behalf of the District. The District will also enter into a Joint Election Agreement with other political subdivisions holding elections on November 5, 2024, for the purpose of resource and cost sharing. All November 5, 2024, Election Day voting shall occur at the times and polling places designated by Montgomery County, as those locations may be amended as deemed necessary by Montgomery County. The Montgomery County voting precincts shall be the applicable voting precincts for the District directors' election.

The election officials appointed by Montgomery County shall be the duly appointed election officials for the District directors' election.

Section 4. Early voting will be conducted at the main and other early voting polling locations designated by Montgomery County, as those locations may be amended as deemed necessary by Montgomery County. The dates, hours, and main and other locations for early voting are those set forth in "Exhibit A" to this Order, which is incorporated herein for all purposes. The hours for voting on Election Day, November 5, 2024, are from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the polling places designated by Montgomery County. The information for Election Day voting is set forth in "Exhibit B" to this Order, which is incorporated herein for all purposes.

Section 5. Ms. Suzie Harvey, the Montgomery County Elections Administrator, is hereby designated as the Early Voting Clerk for the District directors' election. The Early Voting Clerk's official mailing address is: Elections Administrator, P.O. Box 2646, Conroe, Texas 77305-2646.

Section 6. The Early Voting Clerk shall be responsible for the Early Voting applications and ballots. Applications for voting by mail must be received no later than Friday, October 25, 2024, by mail, fax, or email to:

Ms. Suzie Harvey
Elections Administrator
P.O. Box 2646
Conroe, TX 77305-2646

Email: election.ballot@mctx.org

Fax: (936) 788-8340

Website: https://elections.mctx.org/index.asp?curLang=TextEnglish

The physical address of the Early Voting Clerk for Carrier or In-Person Delivery is:

Elections Administrator
9159 Airport Road
Conroe, TX 77303

If faxed or emailed, the original application must be mailed and received within 4 days.

Section 7. Qualified persons may file as candidates for a place on the ballot for the special election by filing an application with the District. Pursuant to the Texas Election Code, the deadline for filing an application for a place on the ballot for the special election position is 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 22, 2024.

Section 8. The District hereby designates the District's Director of Operations, Ms. Tiffany White, as the District's agent for the election pursuant to Section 31.123, Texas Election Code. Ms. White's office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the

District Office located at 655 Conroe Park North Drive, Conroe, TX 77303. The District's agent for the election is appointed through December 15, 2024, and is authorized to take all actions necessary for conducting the election in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a quorum of the Board of Directors on this 23rd day of July, 2024.

LONE STAR GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

By: _____
Jim Spigener, Board President

Attest: _____
Janice Thigpen, Board Secretary