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**IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF NOV 10 2021  
JACK COUNTY, TEXAS**

**VANESSA JAMES, County Clerk  
JACK COUNTY, TEXAS**

**FINDINGS OF FACT REGARDING POLITICAL BOUNDARIES  
OF JACK COUNTY, TEXAS**

**BY \_\_\_\_\_ DEPUTY**

**FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF 2020 CENSUS DATA**

**AND**

**ORDER TO RETAIN EXISTING POLITICAL BOUNDARIES**

On the 10 th day of November, 2021, the Commissioners Court of Jack County met in regular/called session, having posted notice of said hearing in compliance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

The Commissioners Court of Jack County has previously retained the firm of Allison, Bass & Magee, LLP, of Austin, Texas, to conduct an Initial Assessment of existing political boundaries of Jack County, following the issuance of census data by the United States Census Bureau. Attached to this Order, and incorporated herein for all purposes by reference, is a copy of the initial assessment conducted by Allison, Bass & Magee, LLP. This assessment is based upon PL94-171 data, as required by federal law, and is further based upon information provided to Allison, Bass & Magee, LLP by the Texas Legislative Council, other official sources of information, and by Jack County, Texas.

Based upon this information, Jack County has a total maximum deviation of 7.80%. The term total maximum deviation is determined by dividing the total population of Jack County by four, the number of Commissioners Court precincts to determine an ideal precinct size. The actual population of each precinct is then determined, based upon the official population data contained within the census count, as defined by Public Law 94-171. The actual population of each precinct is compared to the ideal precinct size and a range of deviation by percentage is determined. Any total maximum deviation in excess of ten percent (10%) is presumptively unconstitutional under established federal law.

In this regard, the County Commissioners Court has made the following election regarding non-voting prison populations located within the county:

The Commissioners Court of Jack County has elected to exclude from the county population total the number of individuals detained in State or Federal prisons located in Jack

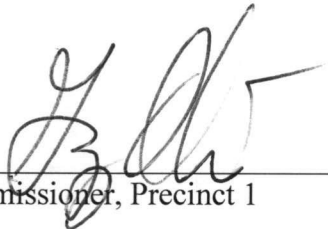
County in the belief that inclusion of such institutionalized correctional populations would unduly impact in an adverse manner the mandates imposed by the United States and Texas Constitutions, and the Federal Voting Rights Act to balance populations and afford meaningful voting rights to the residents of the various single member districts at issue, i.e. (political entity).

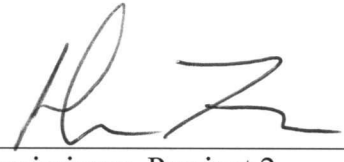
As a result of this determination, Jack County has no constitutional duty to redistrict its political boundaries so as to achieve "One-Person-One-Vote" numerical balance between the four commissioner's court precincts at this time.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Commissioners Court of Jack County, Texas expressly finds that it has no legal duty to redistrict at this time. The public interest will be served by preserving the existing political boundaries of Jack County, which remain in compliance with applicable state and federal law. The Commissioners Court hereby enters the following findings of fact and of law:

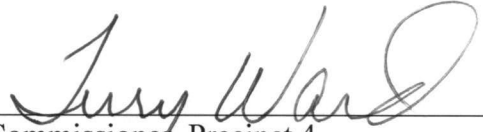
1. Jack County has a total maximum deviation, as defined in this order, of 7.80%.
2. Any total maximum deviation in excess of ten percent (10%) is presumptively unconstitutional under federal law.
3. Jack County, acting by and through its Commissioners Court, expressly finds that it has no legal duty to redistrict its political boundaries, and therefore elects to retain its existing political boundaries in the belief that voting rights are sufficiently preserved by continuity with existing boundaries, and such polling places and procedures as have been utilized in prior elections.
4. The current political boundaries of the Commissioners Court, Justice of the Peace and Election precincts of Jack County, and shall remain in effect until altered or amended by subsequent Order of the Commissioners Court.

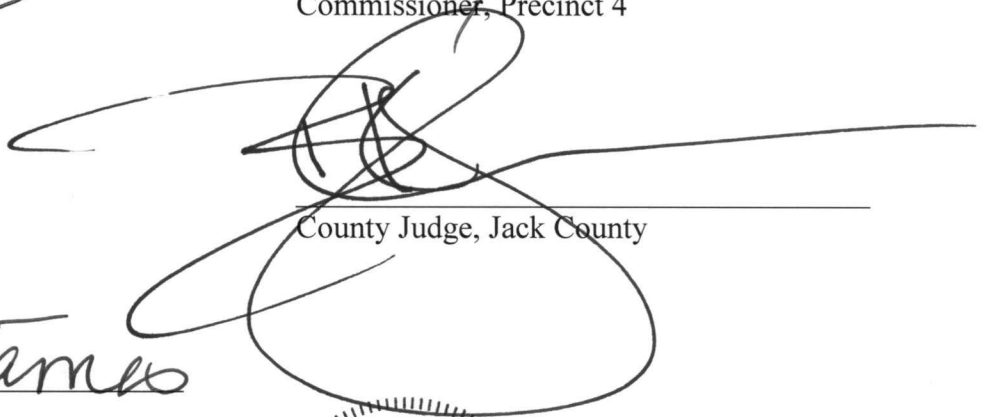
Signed this 10 th day of November, 2021.

  
Commissioner, Precinct 1

  
Commissioner, Precinct 2

  
Commissioner, Precinct 3

  
Commissioner, Precinct 4

  
County Judge, Jack County

  
County Clerk, Jack County

