

RESOLUTION

REGARDING ELIMINATION OF COUNTYWIDE POLLING PLACE PROGRAM

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF JACK

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT

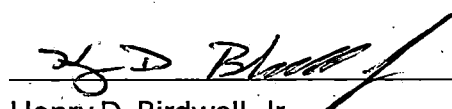
WHEREAS, Jack County has participated in the Countywide Polling Place program since 2017; and
WHEREAS, Jack County has 6 voting precincts and provides 4 polling locations; and
WHEREAS, the Countywide voting system does not eliminate voter registration by precinct; and
WHEREAS, Jack County is a rural county, many of our constituents take advantage of the ability to vote on Election Day in a location of their choice through the Countywide Polling Place Program; and
WHEREAS, as a rural county, many of our constituents work outside the county and use the Countywide Polling Place Program as a necessary convenience to vote without having to adjust their work schedules; and
WHEREAS, the use of the Countywide Polling Place Program has increased voter turnout and reduced the number of provisional ballots; and
WHEREAS, the Countywide Polling Place Program allows the county to provide Election Day voting to all the voters during a time of an emergency; and
WHEREAS, Countywide Polling Place Program provides a cost savings to Jack County and its Municipalities; and
WHEREAS, Countywide Polling Program requires the use of e-poll books as authorized by the Texas Legislature through the Texas Election Code Section 31.014 and
WHEREAS, E-poll books allow voters to sign in while confirming identity through official identification and confirming voters have not already voted via absentee ballot or at another polling location thus dramatically reducing voter fraud and improving wait time for voters; and
WHEREAS, Jack County has utilized e-poll books since 2017; and
WHEREAS, E-poll books provide reports to issue daily required reports/data to the Secretary of State and post on the County Elections website; and
WHEREAS, the Commissioner's Court of Jack County is of the opinion the Countywide Polling Place Program is beneficial to the voters and it would be disservice to the voting community, reduce voter turnout and could disenfranchise a large number of voter if eliminated; and
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commissioners Court of Jack County hereby opposes the elimination of Countywide Polling Place Program, the elimination of e-poll books and the elimination of ballot marking devices by the Texas Legislature.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS ____ DAY OF January 2025,

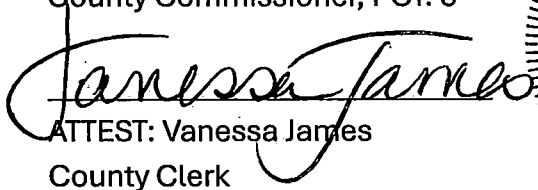

Keith Umphress
County Judge

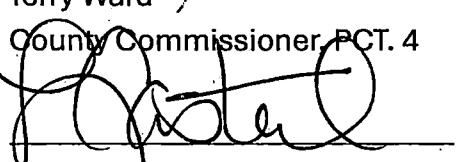

Gary Oliver
County Commissioner, PCT. 1

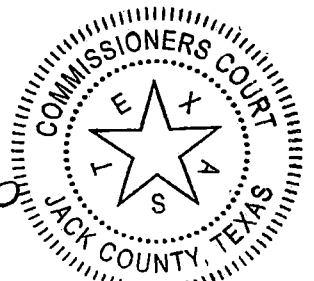

Kenny Salazar
County Commissioner, PCT. 2


Henry D. Birdwell, Jr.
County Commissioner, PCT. 3


Terry Ward
County Commissioner, PCT. 4


ATTEST: Vanessa James
County Clerk


Lynn Casteel
Elections Administrator



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FEB 10 2025

VANESSA JAMES, County Clerk
JACK COUNTY, TEXAS

BY _____ DEPUTY