STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF POLK

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ORDER OF THE POLK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT AUTHORIZING THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND RESERVES TO THE FOUR ROAD & BRIDGE PRECINCTS FOR DISASTER RECOVERY EXPENSES

WHEREAS, the Polk County Commissioners Court recognizes the necessity for disaster recovery and the importance of maintaining the infrastructure within the County's jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code § 111.010, the Commissioners Court has the authority to allocate funds for county purposes and to ensure the efficient management of county finances; and

WHEREAS, recent disasters have caused significant damage to roads and bridges entirely within the county's jurisdiction, necessitating immediate financial assistance for recovery efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court has determined that \$1,000,000 shall be withdrawn from the General Fund Reserves to be distributed among the four Road & Bridge Precincts according to the established Road & Bridge Funding Formula; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that these funds are utilized solely for the repair and recovery of roads that are within the county's jurisdiction, and not for any roads within city limits, as such roads will be reimbursed by FEMA to the respective cities; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court will establish a committee to review all expenditures of these funds to ensure compliance with FEMA reimbursement criteria, guaranteeing that only projects reimbursable to the County by FEMA are funded.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF POLK COUNTY, TEXAS;

- 1. **Allocation of Funds.** The sum of \$1,000,000 shall be withdrawn from the General Fund Reserves and distributed to the four Road & Bridge Precincts for the purpose of disaster recovery, as follows: Precinct 1 \$220,000; Precinct 2 \$230,000; Precinct 3 \$270,000; Precinct 4 \$280,000.
- 2. **Use of Funds.** These funds may only be used for the repair and recovery of roads that are within the county's jurisdiction. Funds may not be used for road repairs within city limits, as those will be reimbursable by FEMA to those cities.
- 3. Committee Oversight. A committee established to review all expenditures of these funds will ensure that only projects that are reimbursable to the County by FEMA are paid from these funds, maintaining strict compliance with FEMA reimbursement criteria. The committee consists of Linda Sloan, Kayla Pitts, and Nacole Reeks, with assistance from Texas Department of Emergency Management County Liaison Officer Timothy Kramer.
- 4. **Effective Date.** This Order shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

ORDERED AND APPROVED by the Commissioners Court in Polk County, Texas, on this the 30th day of May 2024.

Sydney Murphy

County Judge, Polk County, Texas

Attest:

Schelana Hoch

Schelana Hock, County Clerk

