RESOLUTION REGARDING CIVIL RIGHTS County of Calhoun, Texas

Whereas, the County of Calhoun, Texas, (hereinafter referred to as "Calhoun County") has been awarded U.S. Housing and Urban Development--Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding through the Texas General Land Office; and

Whereas, Calhoun County, in accordance with Section 109 of the Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act. (24 CFR 6); the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101-6107); and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and for construction contracts greater than \$10,000, must take actions to ensure that no person or group is denied benefits such as employment, training, housing, and contracts generated by the CDBG activity, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or disability; and

Whereas, Calhoun County, in consideration for the receipt and acceptance of federal funding, agrees to comply with all federal rules and regulations, including those rules and regulations governing citizen participation and civil rights protections; and

Whereas, Calhoun County, in accordance with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, and 24 CFR Part 135, is required, to the greatest extent feasible, to provide training and employment opportunities to lower income residents and contract opportunities to businesses in the CDBG project area; and

Whereas, Calhoun County, in accordance with Section 104(1) of the Housing and Community Development Act, as amended, and State certification requirements at 24 CFR 91.325(b)(6), must adopt an excessive force policy that prohibits the use of excessive force against non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and

Whereas, Calhoun County, in accordance with Executive Order 13166, must take reasonable steps to ensure meaningful access to services in federally assisted programs and activities by persons with limited English proficiency (LEP) and must have a LEP plan in place specific to the locality and beneficiaries for a CDBG project; and

Whereas, Calhoun County, in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, does not discriminate on the basis of disability and agrees to ensure that qualified individuals with disabilities have access to programs and activities that receive federal funds; and

Whereas, Calhoun County, in accordance with Section 808(e)(5) of the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3608(e)(5)) that requires HUD programs and activities be administered in a manner affirmatively to further the policies of the Fair Housing Act, agrees to conduct at least one activity during the contract period of a CDBG contract, to affirmatively further fair housing; and

Whereas, Calhoun County, agrees to maintain written standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest and governing the actions of its employees engaged in the selection, award and administration of contracts:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT CALHOUN COUNTY FORMALLY ADOPTS/REAFFIRMS THE FOLLOWING COUNTY PLANS AND POLICIES:

- 1. Citizen Participation Plan and Grievance Procedures:
- 2. U.S. Housing and Urban Development Act Section 3 Policy:
- 3. Excessive Force Policy;
- 4. U.S. Rehabilitation Act Section 504 Policy and Grievance Procedures;
- 5. Conflict of Interest Policy;
- 6. Limited English Proficiency Plan (when applicable); and
- 7. Fair Housing Policy.

Passed and approved this 17th day of February, 2021.

Richard H. Meyer, County Judge

David Hall

Calhoun County Commissioner, Pct. 1

Vern Lyssy

Calhoun County Commissioner, Pct. 2

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Attest: Anna Goodman, County Clerk

By: Deputy Clerk

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