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TOWN OF CHESTER, ARKANSAS

ORDINANCE NO. 8-13-2024-2

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AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE TOWN OF CHESTER, ARKANSAS ON THE QUESTION OF LEVYING A ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN THE TOWN OF CHESTER, ARKANSAS; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Chester, Arkansas (the "Town") has passed on August 13, 2024, Ordinance No.: 8-13-2024-1 providing for the levy of a one percent (1%) sales and use tax within the Town (the "Sales and Use Tax"); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Ordinance is to call a special election on the question of the levy of the Sales and Use Tax.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF CEDARVILLE, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That there be, and there is hereby called, a special election to be held on November 5, 2024, at which election there shall be submitted to the electors of the Town the question of the levy of the Sales and Use Tax.

SECTION 2: That the question of levying the Sales and Use Tax shall be placed on the ballot for the election in substantially the following form:

Vote on measure by placing an "X" in the square opposite the measure either for or against:
FOR adoption of a 1% local sales and use tax within the Town of Chester, Arkansas.
AGAINST adoption of a 1% local sales and use tax within the Town of Chester, Arkansas.

SECTION 3: That the election shall be held and conducted and the vote canvassed and the results declared under the law and in the manner now provided for municipal elections unless otherwise provided in Title 26, Chapter 75, Subchapter 2 of the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated (the "Authorizing Legislation") and only qualified voters of the Town shall have the right to vote at the election.

SECTION 4: That the results of the election shall be proclaimed by the Mayor, and her Proclamation shall be published one time in a newspaper having a general circulation in the Town, which Proclamation shall advise that the results as proclaimed shall be conclusive unless attacked in the courts within thirty (30) days after the date of publication.

SECTION 5: That a copy of this Ordinance shall be given to the County Board of Election Commissioners so that the necessary election officials and supplies may be provided. A certified copy of this Ordinance shall also be provided to the Commissioner of Revenues of the State of Arkansas as soon as practical.

SECTION 6: That the Mayor and Town Recorder/Treasurer for and on behalf of the Town, are hereby authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary to call and hold the special election as herein provided and, if the levy of the Sales and Use Tax is approved by the electors, to cause the Sales and Use Tax to be collected in accordance with the Authorizing

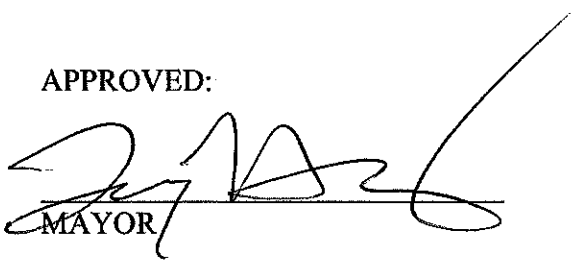
Legislation, and to perform all acts of whatever nature necessary in a timely fashion to carry out the authority conferred in this Ordinance.

SECTION 7: That all ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 8: It is hereby ascertained and declared that there is a great need to establish a stable source of revenue to finance vital municipal services in order to promote and protect the health, safety, and welfare of the Town and its inhabitants. It is, therefore, declared that an emergency exists and this Ordinance being necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health, and safety shall be in force and take effect immediately from and after its passage.

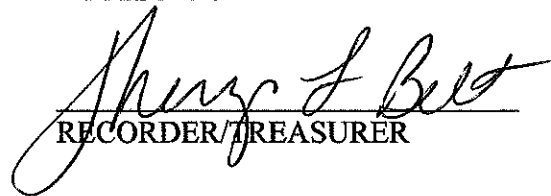
PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 13TH DAY OF AUGUST 2024.

APPROVED:



MAYOR

ATTESTED:



RECORDER/TREASURER