#### CERTIFICATE FOR RESOLUTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS  COUNTY OF HARRIS	<b>§</b>

- I, the undersigned Secretary of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the North Harris County Regional Water Authority (the "Authority"), hereby certify as follows:
- 1. The Board convened in regular session, open to the public, on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, at a meeting place within the boundaries of the Authority, and the roll was called of the members of the Board, to-wit:

Alan J. Rendl President
Kelly P. Fessler Vice President
Lenox A. Sigler Secretary

Ron Graham Assistant Secretary

James D. Pulliam Treasurer/Investment Officer

All members of the Board were present thus constituting a quorum. Whereupon, among other business, the following was transacted at such meeting:

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was duly introduced for the consideration of the Board. It was then duly moved and seconded that such Resolution be adopted; and, after due discussion, such motion, carrying with it the adoption of said Resolution, prevailed and carried by the following vote:

AYES: 5 NOES: 0

2. A true, full, and correct copy of the aforesaid Resolution adopted at the meeting described in the above and foregoing paragraph is attached to and follows this Certificate; such Resolution has been duly recorded in said Board's minutes of such meeting; the above and foregoing paragraph is a true, full, and correct excerpt from the Board's minutes of such meeting pertaining to the adoption of such Resolution; the persons named in the above and foregoing paragraph are the duly chosen, qualified, and acting officers and members of the Board as indicated therein; each of the officers and members of the Board was duly and sufficiently notified officially and personally, in advance of the time, place, and purpose of such meeting and that such Resolution would be introduced and considered for adoption at such meeting and each of such officers and members consented, in advance, to the holding of such meeting for such purpose; such meeting was open to the public, as required by law, and public notice of the time, place and purpose of such meeting was given as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended, and Section 49.063, Texas Water Code, as amended.

# SIGNED AND SEALED the 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022.

Secretary, Board of Directors



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## NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY RESOLUTION ADOPTING GUIDELINES FOR USE IN 2021 REDISTRICTING PROCESS

WHEREAS, the North Harris County Regional Water Authority's (the "Authority") enabling legislation, Texas Special Districts Local Laws Code Section 8888.102(c), requires the Authority's Board of Directors (the "Board") to redraw the single-member voting districts as soon as practicable after each federal decennial census and as otherwise required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Board also has certain responsibilities for redistricting the Authority's single-member voting districts under federal and state law including but not limited to Amendments 14 and 15 to the United States Constitution, U.S.C.A. and Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, 52 U.S.C.A. §10301; and Tex. Gov't Code Ann. §§ 2058.001 and 2058.002; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide for the orderly consideration and evaluation of redistricting plans which may come before the Board; and

WHEREAS, these guidelines relate to persons who have specific redistricting plans they wish the Board to consider; and

WHEREAS, the Board also welcomes any comments relevant to the redistricting process;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in order to make sure that any comments regarding the redistricting process and any redistricting plan that might be submitted are of maximum assistance to the Board in its decision-making process, the Board hereby sets the following guidelines to be followed by each person submitting a comment or a redistricting plan for consideration:

- 1. Proposed plans must be submitted in writing and be legible. If a plan is submitted orally, there is significant opportunity for misunderstanding, and it is possible that errors may be made in analyzing it. The Board wants to be sure that all proposals are fully and accurately considered.
- 2. Any plan must show the total population and voting age population for African-Americans, Hispanics, Asians, and Anglo/Other for each proposed single-member voting district based on the 2020 Census Data. If a plan is submitted without a population breakdown, the Board may not have sufficient information to give it full consideration.
- 3. Plans should redistrict the entire Authority, that is, all five single-member voting districts. The Board, of course, will be considering the effect of any

plan on the entire Authority. Any plan is subject to the Voting Rights Act, which protects various racial and language minorities. Thus, as a matter of federal law, the Board will be required to consider the effect of any proposal on multiple racial and ethnic groups. If a plan does not redistrict the entire Authority, it may be impossible for the Board to assess its impact on one or more protected minority groups.

- 4. Plans should conform to the redistricting criteria the Board will be using in drawing the single-member voting districts.
- 5. Comments should be submitted in writing and be legible, even if the person also makes the comments orally at a public hearing.
- 6. Persons providing comments and those submitting proposed plans must identify themselves by full name and home address and provide a phone number and, if available, an email address. The Board may wish to follow up on such comments or obtain additional information about submitted plans.
- 7. All comments and proposed plans must be submitted to the Board at the hearing where the public will be invited to comment.

This resolution shall be effective upon passage by the Board of Directors.

#### BE IT SO ORDERED.

Adopted on this 28th day of February, 2022.

## NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

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