

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT  
OF THE LAMAR CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
2020 BOND ELECTION  
IN FORT BEND COUNTY**

**BY THE  
GREATER FORT BEND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**

**WHEREAS**, the Greater Fort Bend Economic Development Council is a public-private partnership established in 1986 to promote economic vitality and quality development in Fort Bend County including ensuring that the necessary infrastructure for economic growth is in place; and

**WHEREAS**, Fort Bend County continues to be one of the fastest growing counties in the United States and will double its population over the next 20 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Lamar Consolidated Independent School District is the 5<sup>th</sup> fastest growing district in Texas having the 2<sup>nd</sup> most housing starts among all 61 Greater Houston School Districts, and includes 43 campuses, 36,000 students, 5,400 employees, and encompasses 385 square miles or 43% of Fort Bend County, and

**WHEREAS**, Lamar CISD is projecting the need to add 12 more schools, while currently already using 206 portable classrooms to address their student growth, and


**WHEREAS**, their past performance with bond elections has demonstrated their ability to effectively manage the bond process so that the projected tax rate increase was limited and their I&S (debt service) tax rate has not exceeded 35 cents per \$100 of valuation over the last decade, and

**WHEREAS**, a Community Committee of more than sixty dedicated citizens have performed an extensive review and evaluation of the capital needs of Lamar CISD and recommended that the Board of Trustees call for the \$792,531,133 bond election; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lamar Consolidated School District called for an election to take place on November 3, 2020 for the purpose of submitting a series of propositions for the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$792,531,133 for new facilities, renovation of existing facilities, athletic facilities and technology enhancements to address the rapidly increasing student enrollment and technology challenges confronting school districts;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of October 2020, that the Greater Fort Bend Economic Development Council Board of Directors supports the passage of the Lamar Consolidated Independent School District bond propositions on November 3, 2020.

PASSED and APPROVED on October 14, 2020

  
Les Newton, Chairman

Greater Fort Bend Economic Development Council