BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN JOAQUIN
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION ADOPTING NEW SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES BASED ON THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE §21500 et seq.

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2020, the Governor signed AB 1276 amending certain laws relating to the supervisorial redistricting process, including Elections Code §21500 et seq.;

WHEREAS, the federal decennial census was completed in 2020 and showed an adjusted population for the County of 777,313 residents, which was an overall 13.4% increase in the County’s population;

WHEREAS, Elections Code §21500 requires the Board of Supervisors to adopt new boundaries for the supervisorial districts that reapportion the population reported in the 2020 federal decennial census into supervisorial districts that are substantially equal in population as required by the United States Constitution using the following criteria:

“(a) (1) Population equality shall be based on the total population of residents of the county as determined by the most recent federal decennial census for which the redistricting data described in Public Law 94-171 are available.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), an incarcerated person, as that term is used in Section 21003, shall not be counted towards a county’s population, except for an incarcerated person whose last known place of residence may be assigned to a census block in the county, if information about the last known place of residence for incarcerated persons is included in the computerized database for redistricting that is developed in accordance with subdivision (b) of Section 8253 of the Government Code, and that database is made publicly available.

(b) The board shall adopt supervisorial district boundaries that comply with the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10301 et seq.).

(c) The board shall adopt supervisorial district boundaries using the following criteria as set forth in the following order of priority:

(1) To the extent practicable, supervisorial districts shall be geographically contiguous. Areas that meet only at the points of adjoining corners are not contiguous. Areas that are separated by water and not connected by a bridge, tunnel, or regular ferry service are not contiguous.

(2) To the extent practicable, the geographic integrity of any local neighborhood or local community of interest shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division. A “community of interest” is a population that shares common social or economic interests that should be included within a single supervisorial district for purposes of its effective and fair representation. Communities of interest do not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.
(3) To the extent practicable, the geographic integrity of a city or census designated place shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division.

(4) Supervisorial district boundaries should be easily identifiable and understandable by residents. To the extent practicable, supervisorial districts shall be bounded by natural and artificial barriers, by streets, or by the boundaries of the county.

(5) To the extent practicable, and where it does not conflict with the preceding criteria in this subdivision, supervisorial districts shall be drawn to encourage geographical compactness in a manner that nearby areas of population are not bypassed in favor of more distant populations.

(d) The board shall not adopt supervisorial district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party.”

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2021, the Board held a public hearing in accordance with the Elections Code on the map included as Attachment A and found that it meets the required criteria in Elections Code §21500; and

WHEREAS, the map included as Attachment A is accurately described in Attachment B;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Board of Supervisors that they hereby adopt Attachment A hereto as the new supervisorial district boundaries based on the 2020 federal decennial census pursuant to Elections Code §21500 et seq. as described in Attachment B hereto.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ________________, by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors, to wit:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

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ATTEST: RACHÉL DeBORD
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of San Joaquin
State of California

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TOM PATTI
Chairman, Board of Supervisors
County of San Joaquin
State of California

By ____________________
Deputy Clerk