RESOLUTION FOR BROWN COUNTY HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT (HAVA) GRANT

WHEREAS, as of May 2020, the Secretary of State for the State of Texas released information and applications for all counties to apply for and receive additional funding support from State and Federal level government regarding COVID 19, and Election Cyber Security;

WHEREAS such funds can be utilized for the following (1) Voting Equipment, (2) Election Auditing, (3) Voter Registration Systems, (4) Cyber Security, and (5) Communications;

WHEREAS, the following grants are available and can utilize the same resolution for qualification (1) 2020 CARES Act Grant, (2) 2018 Election Security Grant, and (3) 2020 Election Security Grant;

WHEREAS, all 3 grants have separate fund applicability, but may utilize the same data to meet qualifications; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution will be utilized as a portion of the application process and must therefore be reviewed and approved by the Brown County Commissioners Court

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- Brown County Commissioners Court agrees that the expenditure of the funds will be in accordance with applicable federal and state law and any agreement between Brown County and the State of Texas, Office of the Secretary of State as authorized under Section 101 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 and in consultation and agreement with the county election official(s) as defined in Sections 12.001 and 31.091 of the Texas Election Code.
- Brown County Commissioners Court agrees to assign a single point of contact (SPOC) to act on behalf of the county in communicating with the Office of the Secretary of State, including the submission of all necessary reports.
- 3. Brown County Commissioners Court agrees claims against the fund shall be audited and approved in the same manner as other claims against the county before they are paid.
- 4. Brown County Commissioners Court agrees that it will not consider the availability of the funds in adopting the county budget.
- 5. Brown County Commissioners Court agrees that in the event of loss, misuse, or noncompliance pursuant to any grant award agreement with the Secretary of State, Brown County Commissioners Court assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Secretary of State in full.

ADOPTED this 26th day of May, 2020

Dr. Paul D. Lilly, County Judge

Gary Worley, Commissioner Pct #1

Larry Traweek, Commissioner Pct #4

Joel Kelton, Commissioner Pct #2

May 26, 2020 (Exhibit#9)

Wayne Shaw, Commissioner Pct #3