



**RESOLUTION  
OPPOSING ELIMINATION OF  
COUNTYWIDE POLLING PLACE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, BROWN COUNTY is currently a small, rural county in the state of Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, as a rural county, many of our constituents take advantage of their ability to vote on Election Day in a polling location of their choice through the Countywide Polling Place Program; and

**WHEREAS**, as a rural county, many of our constituents work outside the county and use the Countywide Polling Place Program as a necessary convenience to vote without having to adjust their work schedules; and

**WHEREAS**, the use of the Countywide Polling Place Program has increased voter turnout and reduced the number of provisional ballots for BROWN COUNTY; and

**WHEREAS** the requirement to have precinct-based voting locations in BROWN COUNTY, where there are no public buildings for use as polling locations in every voting precinct and private facilities are no longer willing to allow the use of their buildings as a polling site will create a significant expense and hardship on BROWN COUNTY and its constituents; and

**WHEREAS**, at the time of this resolution there are at least four pending bills which seek to eliminate electronic poll books (HB 1001), eliminate electronic marking devices (HB 1001 and SB 76), and eliminate countywide polling places (SB 77 and SB 148); and

**WHEREAS**, the use of electronic poll books was authorized by the Texas Legislature through the Texas Election Code Section 31.014 and such poll books allow voters to sign in electronically while confirming identity through official identification and confirming voters have not already voted via absentee ballot or at another polling location thus dramatically reducing voter fraud and improving wait times for voters; and

**WHEREAS**, the use of electronic ballot marking devices permits voters to cast their ballot with the aid of electronics on a physical ballot, the devices neither stores or tabulates ballots but allows the voter to record the vote which provides voters an additional opportunity to review their votes prior to casting and reassures the voter their ballot is recorded accurately; and

**WHEREAS**, any Texas county using electronic poll books and electronic ballot marking devices are required, by statute, to obtain approval and certification from the Secretary of

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(Exhibit #6)

State to use such equipment and such certification must be re-obtained annually which confirms the security of the voting process for the public; and

**WHEREAS,** the Commissioners Court of BROWN COUNTY is of the opinion that regression into precinct-based voting would be a disservice to the voting community, reduce voter turnout, and could disenfranchise a large number of voters; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the undersigned elected officials do oppose the elimination of countywide polling places, the elimination of electronic pollbooks, and the elimination of electronic marking devices by the Texas Legislature.

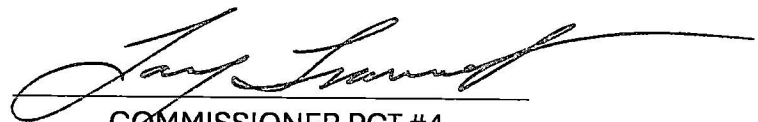
**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 10 day of March, 2025.

  
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COUNTY JUDGE


  
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COMMISSIONER PCT #1

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COMMISSIONER PCT #2

  
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COMMISSIONER PCT #3

  
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COMMISSIONER PCT #4



**ATTEST:**   
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COUNTY CLERK

*ALL Counties Approved*

<https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/laws/countywide-polling-place-program.shtml>

1	Cameron County	Approved	
2	Comanche County		
3	Uvalde County		
4	Angelina County (2021)		
5	Aransas County (2016)		
6	Archer County (2019)		
7	Atascosa County (2019)		
8	Austin County (2022)	Approved	
9	Bastrop County (2022)		
10	Bee County (2019)	Approved	
11	Bell County (2020)		
12	Bexar County (2019)		
13	Blanco County (2023)		
14	Bowie County (2023)	Approved	
15	Brazoria County (2015)		
16	Brazos County (2016)		
17	Brown County (2024)		Taking Soon
18	Burleson County (2024)	Approved	
19	Burnet County (2021)		
20	Callahan County (2014)		
21	Cass County (2024)	Approved	
22	Chambers County (2021)		Taking Soon
23	Cherokee County (2023)		
24	Collin County (2013)		
25	Comal County (2019)		
26	Coryell County (2014)		Taking Soon
27	Dallas County (2019)		
28	Deaf Smith County (2018)		
29	DeWitt County (2018)		
30	Eastland County (2013)		Taking Soon
31	Ector County (2016)		
32	Ellis County (2019)	Approved	Taking Soon
33	Erath County (2012)		
34	El Paso County (2021)		
35	Fisher County (2021)		
36	Floyd County (2013)	Approved	

37 Fort Bend County (2016)		
38 Gaines County (2012)		Taking Soon
39 Galveston County (2012)		
40 Grayson County (2014)		
41 Gregg County (2017)	<u>Approved</u>	
42 Grimes County (2017)		
43 Guadalupe County (2017)		
44 Harris County (2019)		Taking Soon
45 Harrison County (2022)	Approved	
46 Hays County (2019)	Approved	
47 Henderson County (2019)	<u>Approved</u>	
48 Hidalgo County (2018)		February 18th
49 Hood County (2015)		
50 Hopkins County (2015)		
51 Howard County (2019)	Approved	
52 Jack County (2018)		Taking Soon
53 Jefferson County (2014)		
54 Jim Wells County (2022)	<u>Approved</u>	
55 Jones County (2019)		
56 Karnes County (2024)	Approved	
57 Kaufman County (2018)	Approved	
58 Kendall County (2020)		
59 Lampasas County (2014)		
60 Lee County (2016)		
61 Liberty County (2022)		
62 Lubbock County (2012)		
63 Madison County (2013)		
64 Marion County (2020)	<u>Approved</u>	
65 McLennan County (2015)	<del>Approved</del>	<del>Taking Soon</del>
66 Medina County (2016)		
67 Midland County (2012)		Taking Soon
68 Milam County (2016)		
69 Montague County (2015)	Approved	
70 Navarro County (2015)		
71 Nueces County (2017)		
72 Orange County (2023)		
73 Palo Pinto County (2016)		Taking Soon
74 Parker County (2015)		

75	Parmer County (2024)	Approved	Taking Soon		
76	Polk County (2022)				
77	Potter County (2016)				
78	Randall County (2014)				
79	Rockwall County (2022)				
80	Rusk County (2015)				
81	San Jacinto County (2016)				
82	San Patricio County (2018)	Approved			
83	Scurry County (2020)	Approved			
84	Smith County (2015)				
85	Somervell County (2021)		Taking Soon		
86	Swisher County (2014)		Taking Soon		
87	Tarrant County (2019)				
88	Taylor County (2015)				
89	Throckmorton County (2017)				
90	Tom Green County (2015)	Approved			
91	Travis County (2012)		Taking Soon		
92	Upshur County (2017)				
93	Victoria County (2014)		Taking Soon		
94	Walker County (2021)	Approved			
95	Webb County (2022)				
96	Wharton County (2015)				
97	Williamson County (2014)				
98	Wichita County (2018)				
99	Young County (2016)				
Not on County Wide					
	Anderson	Approved			
	Sabine	Approved			
	Llano		Taking Soon		
	Van Zandt		Taking Soon		
	Carson		Taking Soon		

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