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STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF FORT BEND §

ORDER ESTABLISHING ADOPTION OF FORT BEND COUNTY GAME ROOM REGULATIONS

On motion of Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Preotage, duly put and carried, it is hereby ordered by the Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, that the regulations attached hereto, entitled Fort Bend County Game Room Regulations, are made a part of this Order and are adopted as the regulations of Fort Bend County, effective September 8th, 2015, and all officials of Fort Bend County having duties under said regulations are ordered and directed to perform such duties as required of them under said regulations.

WHEREAS, the authority to promulgate and enforce this order is granted to the Fort Bend County Commissioners Court by § 234.133 of the Texas Local Government Code, as amended; and

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County desires to reduce the adverse secondary effects of illicit Game Rooms in Fort Bend County; and

WHEREAS, illicit Game Rooms, as a category of commercial uses, are associated with a wide variety of adverse secondary effects, including but not limited to personal and property crimes, gambling offenses, weapon offenses, illicit drug use and drug trafficking, negative impacts on surrounding properties, urban blight, and litter; and

WHEREAS, Game Rooms should have restricted hours of operation due to the increase of personal crimes such as assaults, robberies, and homicides between the hours of 10 p.m. and 8 a.m.; and

WHEREAS each of the foregoing negative secondary effects constitutes a harm to the residents of Fort Bend County which the County has a substantial governmental interest in preventing and abating; and

WHEREAS this substantial government interest in preventing secondary effects, which is Fort Bend County's rationale for these Regulations, exists independent of any comparative analysis between legal Game Rooms and illicit Game Rooms. Fort Bend County's interests in regulating Game Rooms extend to preventing future secondary effects of either current or future Game Rooms that may locate in Fort Bend County; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Bend County Commissioners Court hereby adopts the Fort Bend County Game Room Regulations as set forth below:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED on this 8th day of September 2015, in a meeting of the Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, duly convened and acting in its capacity as governing body of Fort Bend County, the following members being present:

Robert Hebert
Richard Morrison
Grady Prestage
Andy Meyers
James Patterson

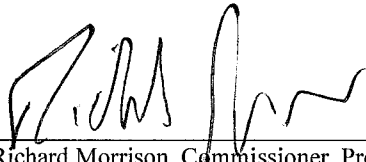
County Judge
Commissioner, Precinct 1
Commissioner, Precinct 2
Commissioner, Precinct 3
Commissioner, Precinct 4

APPROVED BY:
FORT BEND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

September 8, 2015



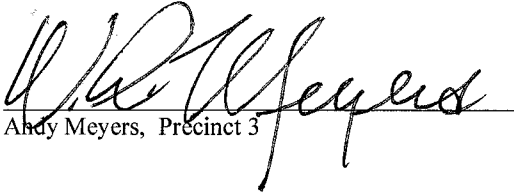
Robert E. Hebert, County Judge



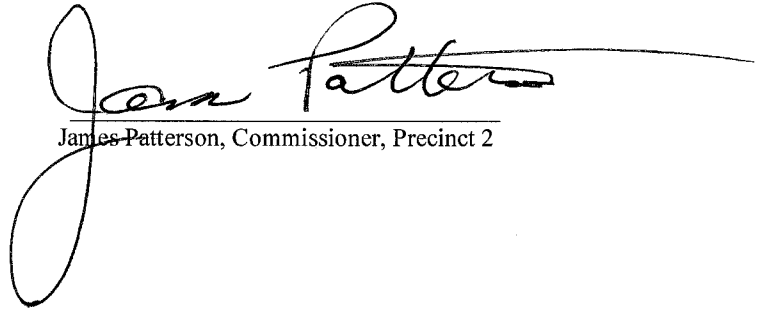
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Grady Prestage, Commissioner, Precinct 2



Andy Meyers, Precinct 3



James Patterson, Commissioner, Precinct 2

ATTEST:



Laura Richard
County Clerk

