FORT BEND COUNTY RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 203 MODIFICATIONS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE 387, COUNTY ASSISTANCE DISTRICT SPENDING

WHEREAS, Local Government Code Chapter 387 gives counties the authority to create County Assistance Districts (Districts) for the purpose of spending revenue on government services within the defined boundaries of the District; and

WHEREAS, Districts may not be created in areas that are at the 8.25% sales tax cap, even if the District does not intend to collect sales tax revenue in that area; and

WHEREAS, Creation of Districts in areas that have met the sales tax cap for the purpose of expending the sales tax revenues to provide government services to the residents paying the taxes would benefit the general public; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 203 provides that a District MAY NOT levy and collect a sales tax in any area that has met the cap, only allowing the District to expend sales taxes collected in other areas of the District for a public purpose within the areas that have reached the 8.25% sales tax cap; and

WHEREAS, Passage of House Bill 203 will allow residents residing within a municipality's city limits to receive government services from the sales taxes they pay to a District located outside the municipality's city limits, thereby better serving the general public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Fort Bend County Commissioners Court supports House Bill 203.

PASSED and APPROVED on January 29, 2019.

County Judge KP George

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ATTEST:

Laura Richard, County Clerk

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