



RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT E-SPLOST

WHEREAS, the Houston County Board of Commissioners recognizes that an educated workforce is the very foundation of economic and community development, and

WHEREAS, there is no greater investment made for the future of this County than an investment in the education of our children, and

WHEREAS, the Houston County School District is widely known as a high-performing district which educates any and all students, and

WHEREAS, the Houston County School District is the 13th largest public school system in the State of Georgia, currently serving approximately 30,000 Pre-K – 12 students, and

WHEREAS, the Houston County School District continues to grow in student enrollment, and

WHEREAS, the Houston County School District is the second largest employer in the county with approximately 4,300 full-time employees, and

WHEREAS, the Houston County School District was named the *Forbes* number one employer in the state of Georgia, and

WHEREAS, sustained and adequate funding to improve facilities, safety, technology, and transportation is key to the continued ability of the District to provide the children of Houston County with an exceptional education, and

WHEREAS, the Houston County School District is committed to equipping their teachers and administrators with the necessary tools and resources to effectively teach, and

WHEREAS, continued funding is essential to providing updated technology and resources and ensuring equitable access to digital learning for all students, and


WHEREAS, every facility in the Houston County School District has benefitted since 1997 from E-SPLOST investments, and


WHEREAS, the extension of the one-penny sales tax is an equitable tax shared by all, which is neither a tax increase nor a new tax for the citizens of Houston County, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Houston County Board of Commissioners supports the referendum to extend the one-cent sales tax through March 31, 2027, for the Houston County School District, and encourages all registered voters in Houston County to vote in favor of the referendum scheduled for early voting February 22 – March 12 and election day March 16, 2021.


Chairman Tommy Stalnaker


Commissioner Gail Robinson


Commissioner Mark Byrd


Commissioner Dan Perdue


Commissioner H. Jay Walker, III