## **RESOLUTION #2009-2024**

RESOLUTION DIRECTING COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF ELECTIONS TO CALL AN ELECTION SUBMITTING THE QUESTION OF ADOPTING A LEVY AND IMPOSING A VOTER-APPROVED EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROPERTY TAX AND LOCAL OPTION INCOME SURTAX PURSUANT TO IOWA CODE CHAPTER 422D

WHEREAS, the Butler County Board of Supervisors (the "Board") has previously declared Emergency Medical Services ("EMS") to be an essential service in and for Butler County, Iowa (the "County") in compliance with Iowa Code Section 422D.1(2)(a), recognizing EMS is an essential service to Butler County residents; and

WHEREAS, the Board coordinated efforts with local emergency medical services agencies to establish a county emergency medical services system advisory council (the "Advisory Council") to assist in researching and assessing the service needs of the County and guiding implementation of services in the County within a council structure; and

WHEREAS, the Board is in receipt of a recommendation from the Advisory Council, which recommends funding at an amount of \$150,000 annually, or fourteen cents (\$0.14) per one thousand dollars (\$1000) annually not to exceed seventy-five cents (\$0.75) per one thousand dollars (\$1000) of assessed value on all taxable property within the county and a local option income surtax of not to exceed one percent (1.0%) on the state individual income tax of each individual residing in the county at the end of the individual's applicable tax year; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that to provide EMS in the County, a local property tax and local option income surtax pursuant to Iowa Code 422D for a maximum period of fifteen (15) years is necessary and in the best interests of the County and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby determines that an election should be called on the question of adopting a levy and imposing a voter-approved EMS property tax and local option income surtax as authorized by Iowa Code Chapter 422D.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BUTLER COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA:

- 1. The Board hereby determines that it is consistent with the recommendation provided by the Advisory Council to provide EMS in the County and it is in the best interest of the County and its residents to provide funding therefor for a period of fifteen (15) years, as provided in Iowa Code Chapter 422D.
- 2. The funding to support EMS shall be in the amount of \$150,000 annually, or fourteen cents (\$0.14) per one thousand dollars (\$1000) annually not to exceed seventy-five cents (\$0.75) per one thousand dollars (\$1000) of assessed value on all taxable property within the county and a local option income surtax of not to exceed one percent (1.0%) on the state individual income tax of each individual residing in the county at the end of the individual's applicable tax year, and the Board shall determine the annual property tax rate together with the not to exceed one percent local option income surtax necessary to obtain this amount.
- 3. Moneys received by the County from this property tax may be used for any EMS purpose identified in Iowa Code Chapter 422D and otherwise identified in the plan provided to the Board by the Advisory Council.

4. A special election is called of the qualified electors of Butler County, State of Iowa, on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. The following Proposition is approved, and the Board shall file the Proposition for the Ballot with the Butler County Commissioner of Elections by September 6, 2024.

SHALL THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC MEASURE BE ADOPTED?

## **PROPOSITION**

YES	[ ]	
NO	[	]

Shall the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, State of Iowa, be authorized to levy and impose a tax for the purpose of funding Emergency Medical Services in the county pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 422D, in the amount of \$150,000 annually, or fourteen cents (\$0.14) per one thousand dollars (\$1000) annually not to exceed seventy-five cents (\$0.75) per one thousand dollars (\$1000) of assessed value on all taxable property within the county and a local option income surtax of not to exceed one percent (1.0%) on the state individual income tax of each individual residing in the county at the end of the individual's applicable tax year, for a maximum period of fifteen (15) years?

## [END BALLOT LANGUAGE]

- 5. That the notice of the election and ballot form used at the election shall be prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Iowa Code and Iowa Administrative Rules.
- 6. That the Election Board for the voting precinct or precincts shall be appointed by the County Commissioner of Elections, not less than 15 days before the date of said election, a certified copy of which appointment must be officially placed on file in the office of the Auditor.
- 7. The County Commissioner of Elections shall make publication of the Notice of Election in a legal newspaper in the county once at least sixty (60) days prior to the date of the election, as required by Iowa Code Section 422D.1.
- 8. The "Greene Recorder", "Butler County Tribune and Clarksville Star" and "Parkersburg Eclipse News-Review", legal newspapers published regularly and having a general circulation within the County, are designated to make the publication of the Notice of Election.
- 9. That the County Commissioner of Elections prepare all ballots and election registers and other supplies necessary for the proper and legal conduct of this election.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024.

Chairperson

County Auditor