Proclamation by the Mayor of the City of Trenton

**WHEREAS**, Section 41.001(a)(2) of the Texas Election Code provides that a general or special election in this state shall be held on a uniform election date, and the next uniform election date is occurring on May 2, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 41.0052 of the Texas Election Code prescribes a procedure for a political subdivision to change a general election date, but the time for making such a change has expired; and

**WHEREAS,** on March 13, 2020, the Governor of Texas certified that the novel coronavirus (COVID- 19) poses an imminent threat of disaster and, under the authority vested in the Governor by Section 418.0 14 of the Texas Government Code, declared a state of disaster for all counties in Texas; an

**Now therefore I, Rodney Alexander, Mayor of the City of Trenton, Texas;**

Candidates on the ballot in both May and November: For candidates that may be running for two offices (one normally occurring in May and one normally occurring in November), these candidates will not be removed from the ballot as they are separate elections that are normally not occurring on the same date,

Holdovers In Public Office: Under Art. XCI, Sec 17 of the Texas Constitution in the individuals who currently hold public offices that are scheduled to be on the ballot on the May uniform oaths of office, following the November uniform election date,

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The City of Trenton will hold a joint election with Fannin county on **November 3, 2020** from 7am. to 7pm. The polling place will be

Early voting, which include personal appearance and by mail, will be conducted by The City Secretary of The City of Trenton, is designated and appointed as the early voting clerk. The location for early voting will be conducted at Armory/Civic Center at 1100 W. 5th St Bonham Tx 75418, to begin on October 19, 2020 and to end on October 30, 2020. The regular election hours will be Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm, and the two late days are October 22 and October 29, 2020 from 7am to 7pm

The election shall be conducted by election officers, in accordance with the Texas Election Code, and be in the form provided by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

1. The purpose of the election is to elect 3 council members and the Mayor of the City of Trenton, which each have a two year term. All those citizens who live in the city limits are eligible to apply for the election of any position. The original filling date for the May 2, 2020 election will remain valid for the election held on the November date and that the filing period will not be re-opened for the November election date.
2. Confirmation that all ABBMs for voters that are voting by mail due to being over the age of 65 or due to disability will still be valid for the postponed election, and that ABBMs for voters who submitted ABBMs based on expected absence from the county would not be valid for the postponed election.
3. The major relevant dates for the November election, including the voter registration deadline (October 5, 2020), the deadline to submit an ABBM (October 23, 2020), and the dates for early voting (October 19, 2020 - October 30, 2020).

Passed and approved on the 1 day of April, 2020