



**CITY OF BUCHANAN
ELECTION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-01**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE CITY OF BUCHANAN'S TWO
ELECTION PRECINCTS INTO ONE ELECTION PRECINCT**

WHEREAS, the City of Buchanan currently consists of one ward divided into two election precincts, Precinct No. 1 and Precinct No. 2; and

WHEREAS, the City's existing ordinance establishes the two precincts and divides them generally along the centerline of Front Street;

WHEREAS, MCL 168.658 provides that when a city divided into two or more election precincts has not more than 4,999 active registered electors, the election commission, or other officials charged with that duty by the city charter, may abolish the precinct divisions and establish the city as a single election precinct; and

WHEREAS, the Buchanan City Election Commission has reviewed the current precinct structure and believes that consolidating the City's two existing election precincts into a single citywide election precinct would promote the efficient administration of elections; and

WHEREAS, the Buchanan City Charter requires the City's precinct structure to be established by ordinance of the City Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Election Commission intends that the existing precinct structure remain unchanged for the November 3, 2026 General Election and that any permanent consolidation occur only after completion of that election and compliance with all applicable requirements of the Michigan Election Law and City Charter;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Buchanan Election Commission hereby supports and recommends the permanent consolidation of Precinct No. 1 and Precinct No. 2 into one election precinct encompassing the entire corporate limits of the City of Buchanan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Election Commission recommends that the Buchanan City Commission, following completion of the November 3, 2026 General Election, consider an ordinance amending the City's existing precinct ordinance to establish one citywide election precinct.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution is an expression of support and recommendation and shall not alter the precinct structure for the November 3, 2026 General Election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that implementation of the consolidation shall occur only after adoption and effectiveness of the required ordinance and completion of all applicable statutory notifications and election-administration requirements.

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Dated: _____, 2026

Kalla Langston-Weiss, City Clerk

Chair, City of Buchanan Election Commission