

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF EFFINGHAM COUNTY DECLARING THE RESULTS
OF AN ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 7, 2023
AND
CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION SUPERINTENDENT**

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Effingham County (the “Board of Commissioners”), adopted a resolution on September 19, 2023, to impose, levy, and collect a single-county one percent transportation special purpose local option sales and use tax (the “Transportation Sales Tax”) and to authorize the issuance of general obligation debt of Effingham County (the “County”), conditioned upon approval by a majority of the qualified voters residing within the County voting in an election thereon to be held on November 7, 2023; and

WHEREAS, a copy of said resolution was delivered to the Chairman of the Board of Elections and Registration of Effingham County, as election superintendent for the County (the “Election Superintendent”), who issued a call for the election; and

WHEREAS, the Election Superintendent caused notice of said election to be published in the newspaper published in the County in which sheriff’s advertisements for the County are published, notifying the qualified voters of the County that on November 7, 2023, an election would be held (the “Election”), said notice having been published for the time and in the manner and containing the specifications and information required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Election was held on November 7, 2023, in accordance with said resolution, call, and notice, and the several managers of the election brought in the returns from the Election as required by law and these officers calling the Election, in the presence of and together with the several managers, consolidated the returns and the results thereof; and

WHEREAS, the consolidated returns found the results of the Election to be as follows:

ONE PERCENT TSPLOST

2,464 YES Shall a special one percent sales and use tax be imposed in the special district of Effingham County for a period of time of five years and for the raising of an estimated amount of \$120,000,000.00 (One Hundred Twenty Million Dollars) for funding transportation purposes for Effingham County, the City of Guyton, the City of Rincon, and the City of Springfield?

2,176 NO If imposition of the tax is approved by the voters, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of Effingham County in the principal amount of \$60,000,000.00 (Sixty Million Dollars) for the above purposes.

WHEREAS, a copy of the Election Summary Report and Consolidated Returns filed by the Election Superintendent with the office of the Secretary of State and the Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Revenue is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, a majority of the qualified voters of the County voting in the Election voted in favor of the question which gives approval for the imposition of the Transportation Sales Tax and the issuance of general obligation debt of the County in the principal amount not to exceed \$60,000,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND CERTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

1. To the extent that the Board of Commissioners may be considered as one of the officers ordering the Election under the provisions of Official Code of Georgia Annotated § 38-82-2, or any other provisions of law which may be deemed applicable, the Board of Commissioners does hereby declare the results of the Election to be in favor of the question set forth above, which constitutes approval of the Transportation Sales Tax and of the issuance of general obligation debt of the County in the principal amount not to exceed \$60,000,000.
2. The consolidated returns of the Election and this resolution shall be entered upon the minutes of this meeting of the Board of Commissioners.
3. The Election Superintendent has prepared copies of the consolidated returns and certified and filed the same as required by law.
4. The Election Superintendent has complied with all other applicable provisions of the Georgia Election Code.
5. The issuance of general obligation debt having been duly approved, ratified and confirmed, statutory notice that effect shall be served upon the District Attorney of the Ogeechee Judicial Circuit of Georgia, and such notice shall be executed on behalf of the Board of Commissioners by its Chairman and that said District Attorney may, as provided by law, institute proceedings to have such general obligation debt validated.

RESOLUTION APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this January ____, 2024.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF EFFINGHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA

BY: _____
WESLEY CORBITT, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

BY: _____
STEPHANIE JOHNSON, CLERK

[COUNTY SEAL]

Exhibit A

ELECTION SUMMARY REPORT
AND CONSOLIDATED RETURNS

[Attached.]

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

The undersigned Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Effingham County (the “Board of Commissioners”), keeper of the records and seal thereof, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution approved and adopted by majority vote of the Board of Commissioners in meeting assembled on January 16, 2024, the original of which resolution has been entered in the official records of the Board of Commissioners under my supervision and is in my official possession, custody, and control.

I further certify that the meeting was held in conformity with the requirements of Title 50, Chapter 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

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Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION SUPERINTENDENT

The undersigned Chairman of the Board of Elections and Registration of Effingham County, as Election Superintendent for Effingham County, hereby certifies that a duplicate of the foregoing resolution has been entered in the official records of my office and that the returns described therein and the result of the election as described therein are true and correct.

This _____, 2024.

Thomas Allen, Chairman
Board of Elections and Registration,
as Election Superintendent