

1 **STATE OF GEORGIA**
2 **COUNTY OF DEKALB**
3 **CITY OF STONECREST**
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5 **RESOLUTION NO. _____**
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7 **A RESOLUTION BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF**
8 **STONECREST, GEORGIA TO REGULATE AND PROVIDE FOR THE CALLING OF**
9 **THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND TO CALL THE GENERAL**
10 **MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR THE CITY OF STONECREST TO BE HELD ON**
11 **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023 TO ELECT DISTRICT 2 COUNCILMEMBER,**
12 **DISTRICT 4 COUNCILMEMBER AND THE MAYOR; TO CONDUCT A RUN-OFF**
13 **ELECTION, IF NECESSARY, TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2023; TO**
14 **FIX AND PUBLISH QUALIFYING FEES; TO SET THE LOCATION, DATES AND TIME**
15 **FOR CANDIDATES QUALIFYING TO FILL MUNICIPAL OFFICES; TO ESTABLISH**
16 **QUALIFYING AS A PAUPER; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.**
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18 **WHEREAS**, the duly elected governing body of the City of Stonecrest, Georgia (the
19 “City”) is the Mayor and Stonecrest City Council (“City Council”); and

20 **WHEREAS**, Section 2.06 of the City Charter states that all elections conducted in the
21 City shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A and grants that
22 the City Council shall, by ordinance or resolution, prescribe such rules and regulations as it
23 deems appropriate for the establishment of qualifying fees, to fulfill any options and duties under
24 Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A; and

25 **WHEREAS**, the City in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 21-2-9 will hold a General
26 Municipal Election on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 ("Municipal Election"); and

27 **WHEREAS**, the City in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 21-2-501 may have need to hold
28 additional City elections, including a runoff election on December 5, 2023 in addition to the
29 Municipal Election, collectively (“Elections”); and

30 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to the O.C.G.A. § 21-2-131(a)(1)(A); the governing authority of
31 any municipality, no later than February 1 of any year in which the Municipal Election to be

held, shall fix and publish a qualifying fee for each municipal office to be filled in the upcoming election; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the O.C.G.A §21-2-131(a)(1)(A), such fee shall be (3) three percent of the total gross salary of the office paid in the preceding calendar year including all supplements authorized by law; and

WHEREAS, the current annual salaries for these elected municipal offices are as follows:

City Councilmember - \$15,000;

Mayor - \$20,000; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the O.C.G.A § 21-2-132 (g) and (h), a pauper's affidavit and accompanying qualifying petition may be filed in lieu of paying a qualifying fee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a General Municipal Election shall be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 for the election of District 2 Councilmember, District 4 Councilmember and The Mayor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if necessary a runoff election shall be on December 5, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk shall "call" said Election by publishing notice of the election in a newspaper of general circulation at least 30 days before the Municipal Election is held.

53 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Municipal Clerk shall fix and publish the
54 qualifying fees, location, dates, and times no later than February 1 of the year in which the
55 Municipal Election is to be held.

56 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that candidates shall qualify to fill the aforementioned
57 offices by filing a notice of candidacy and paying the required fee to the Municipal Clerk, or by
58 filing a pauper's affidavit and accompanying petition with, the Municipal Clerk or designated
59 agent at 3120 Stonecrest Blvd. Stonecrest, GA 30038 no earlier than 8:30 A.M. on the third
60 Monday in August immediately preceding the general election and shall end no later than 4:30
61 P.M. on the following Friday in accordance with 21-2-132(c)(3)(A).

62 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the qualifying period shall a minimum of three
63 and no more than five days.

64 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the qualifying fees for each candidate for District 2
65 Councilmember, District 4 Councilmember and The Mayor shall be (3) three percent of the total
66 gross salary of the office paid in the preceding calendar year and are therefore set as follows:
67 **District 2 Councilmember - Four-Hundred and Fifty Dollars and No/Cents - (\$450.00);**
68 **District 4 Councilmember – Four-Hundred and Fifty Dollars and No/Cents - (\$450.00); and**
69 **The Mayor – Six-Hundred Dollars and No/Cents - (\$600.00).**

70 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict
71 herewith are hereby repealed.

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73 **SO RESOLVED**, this _____ day of _____, 2023.

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CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA:

Jazzmin Cobble, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney