RESOLUTION NO. 2023-18

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOMBALL, TEXAS, EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO HOUSE BILL 3921 AND SENATE BILL 1787 WHICH ARE BEING CONSIDERED IN THE 88TH TEXAS LEGISLATURE, THAT WOULD ADVERSELY IMPACT THE ABILITY OF TEXAS CITIES TO MAKE DECISIONS DIRECTLY IMPACTING THEIR RESIDENTS AND COMMUNITIES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

* * * * * *

WHEREAS, local government is the most direct and frequent point of contact with its residents; and

WHEREAS, the process for local government is a public and participatory process whereby the actions of local governments are subject to public scrutiny of the residents; and

WHEREAS, local governments across the state of Texas have provided land use and development regulations that fit the needs of their community; and

WHEREAS, the ability of local governments to respond to community needs and manage growth and development is dependent on having the authority and necessary resources to carry out its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, local government officials are democratically elected by the residents they represent to provide services and respond to local concerns; and

WHEREAS, state representatives and senators are charged with working in the best interest of the citizens they represent; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the state of Texas expect their elected officials to be informed on the needs of constituents and residents of cities expect their local elected representatives to fulfill the needs of the citizens they represent;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Tomball, Texas:

Section 1. The findings set forth in the preamble of this Ordinance are found to be true and correct.

<u>Section 2.</u> The City Council opposes House Bill 3921 and Senate Bill 1787 which are being considered in the 88th Texas Legislature and would adversely impact the ability of Texas cities to make decisions directly impacting their residents and communities by removing a

community's ability to set a minimum lot size for residential development greater than 1,400 square feet.

<u>Section 3.</u> The City Council directs the City Manager to provide a copy of this Resolution to the City of Tomball's elected state representatives and express the Council's support to any proposed legislation by providing a letter signed by the Mayor on behalf of the City Council.

Section 4. This Resolution is effective immediately upon its passage. PASSED, APPROVED, AND RESOLVED this ____ day of _______, 2023. Lori Klein Quinn, Mayor John Ford, Mayor Pro Tem/Councilman, Position 1 Mark Stoll, Councilman, Position 2 Dane Dunagin, Councilman, Position 3 Derek Townsend, Councilman, Position 4 Randy Parr, Councilman, Position 5 ATTEST:

Tracylynn Garcia, City Secretary