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AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS OF THE CITY OF WILLARD, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTHWEST MISSOURI JOINT MUNICIPAL WATER UTILITY COMMISSION (JMUC) FOR REALLOCATED WATER STORAGE SPACE IN STOCKTON LAKE

WHEREAS, The City of Willard ("The City") seeks to enhance the quality and efficiency of its municipal utilities, including water; and

WHEREAS, The City recognizes that joining the Southwest Missouri Joint Municipal Water Utility Commission will provide access to participate in developing infrastructure, cost-effective solutions, and shared resources; and

WHEREAS, such participation is authorized by Missouri Revised Statute Section 393.710, which allows municipalities to form joint municipal utility commissions; and

WHEREAS, before executing any contract with the Corps, JMUC must have sub agreements in place with all participating members to pay these costs;

WHEREAS, JMUC anticipates entering into "pass-through" subcontracts with its members, which will suballocate a portion of JMUC's storage space to each member in exchange for an agreement to pay a proportional share of JMUC's costs

WHEREAS, the Board of Alders of the City of Willard, Missouri has previously approved Ordinance 250609A, authorizing the appointment of one director and one alternate to the Southwest Missouri Joint Municipal Water Utility Commission and seeks to enter into an agreement to secure additional water resources in the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERS OF THE CITY OF WILLARD, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: The Board of Aldermen hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute an agreement (the "Pass Through Contract") for water storage space in Stockton Lake and all necessary assurances, on behalf of the City of Willard, a municipal corporation, with the Southwest Missouri Joint Municipal Water Utility Commission, in substantially the form attached as Exhibit 1. The Mayor, City Administrator, and other appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to execute the Pass- Through Contract, Memorandum of Understanding and such additional documents and take any and all actions necessary, desirable, convenient or prudent in order to carry out the intent of this legislation and the intent of the Memorandum of Understanding

SECTION II: This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force upon and after its passage and approval.

Read two times and passed at a meeting of the Board of Alders of the City of Willard, Missouri, on the **28th day of July, 2025.**

Approved By: _____

Troy Smith, Mayor

Attested By: _____

Rebecca Hansen, City Clerk

Approved as to Form: _____

Holly Dodge, City Attorney