ORDER CANCELLING THE MAY 4, 2024 GENERAL ELECTION OF TRUSTEES FOR SINGLE-MEMBER DISTRICTS 5 AND 7

An Order Cancelling the May 4, 2024 General Election of Trustees for Single-Member Districts 5 and 7; Accepting The Certification Of The Authority Responsible For Having The Official Ballot Prepared That Gerald Lopez and Yvonne Katz Are Unopposed in the General Election of Trustees For Single-Member Districts 5 and 7; Declaring the Unopposed Candidates Elected To The Offices Of Trustees for Districts 5 and 7, Effective May 4, 2024; Providing that the May 4, 2024 General Election for Districts 5 and 7 Not Be Held; Repealing All Orders Or Parts Of Orders In Conflict Therewith; And Providing For Other Matters In Connection With The Cancellation Of The Elections.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Alamo Community College District (the "District"), San Antonio, Texas, on January 23, 2024, passed and adopted an Order calling a general election to be held on May 4, 2024, to elect Trustees to serve six-year terms for single-member Districts Five (5), Six (6), and Seven (7); and

WHEREAS, the District agreed to enter into a Joint Election Agreement to conduct elections with other participating entities; and

WHEREAS, the District agreed to enter into a Contract for Election Services with the Bexar County Election Administration; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 144.005 and 144.006, Texas Election Code, the deadlines for filing applications for a place on the ballot and declaration of write-in candidacy for the District's general election of Trustees has expired; and

WHEREAS, Roxella T. Cavazos, District Associate General Counsel, as the authority responsible for having the official ballot prepared, in accordance with Section 2.052, Texas Election Code, has certified in writing to the Board that Gerald Lopez and Yvonne Katz are unopposed for election to the offices of Trustees for Single-Member Districts 5 and 7; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby finds and determines that the candidates whose names are to appear on the ballot in said election for Trustees of Districts 5 and 7, are unopposed, there are no declared write-in candidates, and no propositions are to appear on the ballot for said election; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Election Code, Chapter 2, Subchapter C, authorizes the Board, upon receipt of certification that a candidate for an election is unopposed, to declare the unopposed candidate elected, effective on the date of the election and to cancel the election for the district in which the candidate is unopposed.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ACCORDINGLY FOUND, DECLARED, AND ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ALAMO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT THAT:

- **SECTION 1.** The facts and matters set forth in the preamble of this Order are hereby found to be true and correct.
- **SECTION 2.** In accordance with Section 2.053(a), Texas Election Code, the Board accepts and adopts the certification, delivered by the authority responsible for having the official ballot prepared with the names of the unopposed candidates for election to the offices of Trustees for Single-Member Districts 5 and 7.
- **SECTION 3.** In accordance with Section 2.053(a), Texas Election Code, the following unopposed candidates are hereby declared duly elected to the respective offices shown below, each to serve a six-year term:
 - Gerald Lopez Trustee, District 5
 - Yvonne Katz Trustee, District 7

The unopposed candidates will assume the office to which each was elected after being duly sworn in by the Board Liaison or designee and shall be issued a certificate of election following the date on which the general election for Trustees was to have been held.

- **SECTION 4.** Pursuant to Section 2.053(b), Texas Election Code, the general election of Trustees for Single-Member Districts 5 and 7, ordered by the Board for May 4, 2024, shall not be held and is hereby canceled. The authority responsible for having the official ballot prepared and/or the Board Liaison and Agent to the Board Secretary are hereby directed to cause a copy of this Order to be posted on Election Day at all polling places that would have been used in the general election and are hereby authorized to take any further actions authorized by or necessary under the Texas Election Code or other law to cancel the May 4, 2024 general election of Trustees for Districts 5 and 7.
- **SECTION 5.** The Board authorizes and directs the Agent to the Board Secretary to notify or cause to notify the parties to the Joint Election Agreement and the Contract for Election Services of the cancellation of the general election of Trustees for Districts 5 and 7. The District's Agent is hereby authorized to take any additional steps necessary to fulfill the District's obligations under the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services.
- **SECTION 6.** All orders or parts of orders in conflict with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.
- **SECTION 7.** Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any purpose by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Order shall not be affected thereby, and to this end the provisions of this Order are declared to be severable.

SECTION 8. It is hereby found and determined that the meeting at which this Order was passed was open to the public required by Section 551.001 *et seq.*, Texas Government Code, and that advance public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given.

SECTION 9. This Order shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED on March 26, 2024.

Roberto Zaraje, Chair

Alamo Community College District

Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

Dr. Lorena ("Lornaine") Pulido, Secretary Alamo Community College District

Board of Trustees

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