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RESOLUTION NO. 12-2022-59

HANCOCK COUNTY CLERK  
HANCOCK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A TAX REFERENDUM FOR EMERGENCY  
AMBULANCE SERVICE TAX INCREASE

WHEREAS, 55 ILCS 5/5-1028 provides that in any County which is not a home rule county, a County Board may levy and collect, annually, a tax of not to exceed .25% of the value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue, of all the taxable property in the County not included within the territory of a fire protection district which levies a tax for ambulance service, for the payment of expenses not paid for from the general funds which are incurred in providing emergency ambulance service under the provision of Section 55 ILCS 5/5-1053; and

WHEREAS, in November of 1990, a tax referendum was placed on the ballot and approved by the voters authorizing an annual tax of .10% of the value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue, of all the taxable property in the County not included within the territory of a fire protection district which levies a tax for ambulance service, for the payment of expenses not paid for from the general funds which are incurred in providing emergency ambulance service under the provision of Section 5-1053; and

WHEREAS, the Hancock County Emergency Ambulance Service is currently operating at a deficit; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Hancock County is in need of additional revenue to cover the deficit spending of the Hancock County Emergency Ambulance Service; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Hancock County desires to increase the amount levied and collected annually up to .25% of the value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue, of all the taxable property in the County not included within the territory of a fire protection district which levies a tax for ambulance service; and

WHEREAS, 55 ILCS 5/5-1028 provides that the tax shall not be levied in any County until the question of its adoption is submitted to the electors of the County not residing within the territory of a fire protection district which levies a tax for ambulance service and approved by a majority of those voting on the question; and

WHEREAS, 55 ILCS 5/5-1028 provides that before the question of the adoption can be submitted to the electors of the County, the County Board of Hancock County must adopt a resolution providing for the submission of the question of the adoption to the electors of the County which shall be certified to the proper election officials; and

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WHEREAS, 55 ILCS 5/5-1028 provides that, upon submission of the question of the adoption to the proper election officials, the proposition shall be submitted at an election in accordance with the general election law.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Hancock County that the question of the adoption of a tax in the amount of up to .25% of the value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue, of all the taxable property in the County not included within the territory of a fire protection district which levies a tax for ambulance service, for the payment of expenses not paid for from the general funds which are incurred in providing emergency ambulance service under the provision of Section 55 ILCS 5/5-1053.


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the County Board of Hancock County that this Resolution be certified to the proper election officials for submission of the following question at an election in accordance with the general election law:

Shall Hancock County increase the levy of the tax for Emergency Ambulance Service from .10% up to .25%, being a difference of up to .15%, of the value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue, of all the taxable property in the County not included within the territory of a fire protection district which levies a tax for ambulance service, for the payment of expenses not paid for from the general funds which are incurred in providing emergency ambulance service under the provision of Section 55 ILCS 5/5-1053?

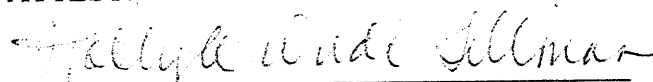
YES

NO

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022.

  
Mark Menn, Chairman of the County  
Board of Hancock County

ATTEST:

  
Holly A. Wilde-Tillman, Hancock County Clerk

AYES: 14

NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSTAINING: \_\_\_\_\_

