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Texas Municipal League Resolution

WHEREAS: One of the five legislative priorities of the Republican Party of Texas is the abolition of taxpayer-funded lobbying; and

WHEREAS: Plank #162 of the Republican Party of Texas platform states “We urge the Legislature to establish a property tax revenue growth trigger of 2.5 percent per year that can only be exceeded by a vote held on a November uniform election date while working to eliminate and replace the M&O school property tax.”; and

WHEREAS: Gov. Greg Abbott, Lt. Governor Dan Patrick, Speaker Dennis Bonnen, and countless other Republican leaders in Austin have come together in support of HB 2 and SB 2, which would enact Republican Party of Texas platform plank #162 into law; and

WHEREAS: The Texas Municipal League is an organization engaged in lobbying the Texas Legislature and is funded by tax dollars in the form of “membership dues” paid by member cities across Texas, including many cities contained in whole or in part within Harris County; and

WHEREAS: The Texas Municipal League is actively engaged in taxpayer-funded lobbying efforts against HB 2 and SB 2; and

WHEREAS: The Texas Municipal League is spreading misinformation about HB 2 and SB 2 and is demonizing Republican elected officials who support this important pro-taxpayer legislation.

THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Harris County Republican Party calls upon all cities contained in whole or in part within Harris County to refrain from using public monies to fund the lobbying efforts of the Texas Municipal League in any way; and

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BE IT RESOLVED: That the Harris County Republican Party calls upon all cities contained in whole or in part within Harris County that are members of the Texas Municipal League to immediately cancel their membership in the Texas Municipal League; and

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BE IT RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution shall be certified by the County Chairman, posted on the HCRP website and social media accounts, sent to all Precinct Chairs and to the Party’s e-mail list within five (5) days of its passage, and sent to all Mayors of cities contained in whole or in part within Harris County within five (5) days of its passage.

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