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December 1, 2020

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Via U.S. Mail and Email - Jeff.Elrod@sos.alabama.gov

Mr. Jeff Elrod
Supervisor of Voter Registration
Office of Secretary of State John H. Merrill
600 Dexter Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36130

**RE: Resolution #2021-026 - Designation of Alabama Secretary of State as Agent for
Voter File Maintenance Program - Act No. 95-769**

Dear Mr. Elrod:


The Baldwin County Commission, during its regularly scheduled meeting held on December 1, 2020, adopted the **enclosed** *Resolution #2021-026*, which appoints the Alabama Secretary of State to serve as the Baldwin County Commission's agent for the purposes of paying postage costs necessary for the mailing of certain notices to voters as required by Code of Alabama 1975 section 17-4-31, and collecting reimbursements for such costs from the Alabama State Elections Fund as provided for by Code of Alabama 1975, section 17-4-31, and, furthermore, authorizes the Chairman and members of the Baldwin County Commission to execute the **enclosed** *Agency Agreement* between the Alabama Secretary of State and the Baldwin County Commission related to the aforesaid.

The *Agency Agreement* shall commence upon full execution between the parties and remain in effect until terminated.

Please return a **fully executed copy** of the *Agency Agreement* to this office to the attention of Commission Administration Staff for our file.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (251) 990-4620 or Wayne Dyess, County Administrator, at (251) 580-2550.

Sincerely,



JOE DAVIS, III, Chairman
Baldwin County Commission

JD/me Item BA8

cc: Wayne Dyess
Betty Sweet, Chairperson, Board of Registrars
Clay Helms, Office of Secretary of State (via email only - Clay.Helms@sos.alabama.gov)
David Brewer, Office of Secretary of State (via email only - David.Brewer@sos.alabama.gov)

ENCLOSURE(S)

STATE OF ALABAMA

DATE: December 1, 2020

COUNTY OF Baldwin

AGENCY AGREEMENT

The Baldwin County Commission hereby authorizes the Alabama Secretary of State to act as its agent for the purposes of paying postage necessary for the mailing of certain notices to voters as required by Act 95-769 and collecting reimbursements from the State Elections Fund associated with compliance with Act 95-769. The County Commission understands that the Secretary of State will be paying postage on the voter notifications required by §17-4-30(a), Code of Alabama (1975) for which the Commission will be obligated to reimburse the Secretary of State by this agreement and that such reimbursement shall occur from monies the County is entitled to for such costs from the State Elections Fund pursuant to §17-4-31, Code of Alabama (1975) . The County Commission also agrees that the business reply mail account fee and business reply mail postage charges will remain its responsibility for which it may be reimbursed by the State of Alabama under the normal operation of the Act.




Chairperson Joe Davis, III
County Commission

Acceptance by the Secretary of State:

John H. Merrill
Secretary of State

RESOLUTION BY

BALDWIN

COUNTY, ALABAMA, COMMISSION

WHEREAS Act 95-769 requires the Baldwin County Board of Registrars to implement a voter file maintenance process, and

WHEREAS Act 95-769 also requires the Baldwin County Commission to pay the cost of postage necessary to mail certain notices to voters and to subsequently apply for and receive reimbursement for such costs from the State of Alabama, and

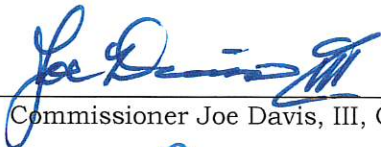
WHEREAS the Alabama Secretary of State has indicated that her office is willing to serve as the agent for the Baldwin County Commission for the purposes of paying postage costs and collecting reimbursements for such costs from the State Elections Fund as provided for in Act 95-769, and

WHEREAS the Alabama Secretary of State served as the agent for the Baldwin County Commission in 1997, 2001, 2005, 2009, 2013, and 2017, for the purposes of paying postage costs and collecting reimbursements from the State Elections Fund as provided for in Act 95-769, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Baldwin County Commission that it hereby agrees to appoint the Secretary of State to serve as its agent for the purposes of paying postage costs necessary for the mailing of certain notices to voters as required by Act 95-769, and collecting reimbursements for such costs from the State Elections Fund as provided in the Act, and now

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairperson of the Baldwin County Commission is authorized to execute an agency agreement to be entered into between this county and the Office of the Alabama Secretary of State.

Adopted this 1st day of December of the year 2020.



Commissioner Joe Davis, III, Chairman



Commissioner Billie Jo Underwood



Commissioner James E. Ball, Vice Chairman



Commissioner Charles F. Gruber