**ORDINANCE NO. 20203017-03**

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES IN THE MAY 2ND, 2020 GENERAL CITY ELECTION ELECTED TO OFFICE; CANCELING THE ELECTION PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the General City Election was called for May 2, 2020 for the purpose of electing a Mayor and two Council Members for the terms that expire in May 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to section 2.052, Texas Election Code, the City Secretary has certified in writing that no person has made a declaration of write-in candidacy, and that each candidate on the ballot is unopposed for election to office; and

**WHEREAS**, under these circumstances, Subchapter C, Chapter 2, Texas Election Code, authorized the City Council to declare the candidates elected to office and cancel the election.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TIMPSON, TEXAS THAT:**

 **Section 1:** The following candidates, who are unopposed in the May 2, 2020, General City election, are declared elected to office, and shall be issued certificates of election following the time the election would be canvassed:

**Debra Pate Smith – Mayor**

**Teri Lea Alexander – Council Member**

**Kenneth E. Walker – Council Member**

 **Section 2**: The May 2, 2020 General City election is canceled, and the City Secretary is directed to cause a copy of the ordinance or notice to be posted on election day at each polling place used or that would have been used in the election.

 **Section 3**: It is declared to be the intent of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this ordinance is declared invalid by the judgment or decree of a court or competent jurisdiction, the invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, or sections of this ordinance since the City Council would have enacted them without the invalid portion.

 **Section 4**: This ordinance is effective immediately upon its passage and approval and publication as may be required by governing law.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_day of March, 2020.**

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 **Debra Smith, Mayor**

 **City of Timpson, Texas**

**ATTEST:**

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**Misty Burgess, City Secretary**

**City of Timpson, Texas**