RESOLUTION OF THE CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IN SUPPORT OF EXTENDING A PROPERTY TAX RATE IN UNINCORPORATED CLARK COUNTY AND THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS FOR THE CONTINUED EMPLOYMENT OF POLICE OFFICERS WITH THE LAS VEGAS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, under existing law, there is a property tax of 28 cents on each \$100 of assessed valuation imposed in a taxing district comprising the unincorporated areas of Clark County and the City of Las Vegas for the purpose of employing peace officers with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department ("LVMPD"). This property tax is composed of: (1) a rate of 8 cents on each \$100 of assessed valuation in the taxing district, which was approved by the voters of the taxing district at the 1988 General Election and which is permanent; and (2) a rate of 20 cents on each \$100 of assessed valuation ("the Property Tax Levy") in the taxing district, which was approved by the voters of the taxing district at the 1996 General Election and which expires on June 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the Property Tax Levy generates approximately \$155 million annually, funding more than 800 police officer positions representing nearly 24% of the current sworn police force; and

WHEREAS, LVMPD staffing ratio is equivalent to two officers for every 1,000 residents, already well below similar sized jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, LVMPD provides police services to 1.6 million residents and 41.7 million visitors per year; and

WHEREAS, the tourism industry is the primary driver of the Southern Nevada economy, generating \$87 billion in spending, supporting 385,000 jobs, and contributing to overall economic growth. More than most other economic sectors, the success of a tourism destination relies on providing visitors with a safe and secure environment; and

WHEREAS, no resident or business will pay more in property tax than they currently do as a result of the extension of the Property Tax Levy; and

WHEREAS, should the Property Tax Levy expire on June 30, 2027, unincorporated Clark County and City of Las Vegas residents and visitors would experience reduced response time from patrol officers, less police presence in high crime areas, and an impairment to extensive criminal investigations; and

WHEREAS, LVMPD is committed to working with the Governor, State Legislature, local entities, and other key stakeholders to extend the Property Tax Levy through July 1, 2057; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Clark County Board of Commissioners ("Board") that the Board express their continued strong support of LVMPD, its programs and services, and endorses its efforts in the 2025 Session of the Nevada Legislature to extend the Property Tax Levy authorization; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board respectfully encourages the Governor, State Legislature, other local jurisdictions, and key stakeholders to work together to find a mutually acceptable method to extend the Property Tax Levy for the ultimate benefit of our local residents, our local economy, and the tens of millions of annual tourists and visitors to our region.

PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this _____day of April, 2025

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

TICK SEGERBLOM, Chair

ATTESTED:

LYNN MARIE GOYA

County Clerk