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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE DEVINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT REGARDING PUBLIC HEALTH RELATED CLOSURE OF SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the main water line break in the City of Devine caused interrupted water service, resulted in the physical closure of all schools and facilities in the Devine Independent School District ("Devine ISD"), on April 28, 2025 due to concern about the health of staff and students not having access to potable water; and

WHEREAS the Board acknowledges that during an emergency closing, some District employees, through circumstances completely beyond their control, were instructed not to report for work. The Board concludes that a need exists to address wage payments for employees who were idled;

WHEREAS employees who were instructed not to report to work may suffer a loss of pay unless the hours are made up at a later date. The Board concludes that continuing wage payments to all employees, contractual, noncontractual, and paid (excludes non-paid employees) during the emergency closing caused by the interruption to water service serves the public purposes of maintaining morale, community safety, reducing turnover, and ensuring continuity of District staffing.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Devine Independent School District authorizes continued wage payments to all employees, contractual, noncontractual, and paid (excludes non-paid employees), who were instructed not to report to work during the emergency closing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board determines that the missed hours due to the weather related closure will not be made up and hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Devine ISD to excuse the hours of absence of Devine ISD employees and pay all employees (contractual, noncontractual, and paid (excludes non-paid employees)) full compensation for those hours and for non-exempt employees (contractual, noncontractual, and paid (excludes non-paid employees)), hours, for those employees instructed not to report to work.

The authority granted by this resolution to continue wage payments to idled employees is effective for the closure of April 28, 2025 unless the Board takes action to authorize payment for a longer duration.

Adopted this _____ (*date*) day of _____ (*month*), 2025, by the

Board of Trustees.

Presiding Officer

Secretary