

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-09B DESIGNATING A PUBLIC OFFICER FOR OPEN RECORDS REQUEST



WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Randolph County Commission ("Commission") to comply with Alabama's Open Records Act, as amended by Ala. Act No. 2024-278, effective October 1, 2024, to allow Alabama residents to inspect and take a copy of public records within the custody and control of the Commission, subject to the payment of reasonable fees and to appropriate protections for private, confidential, privileged, and other nonpublic information; and

WHEREAS, the Open Records Act, as amended by Act No. 2024-278, sets forth the general framework for responding to requests by Alabama residents to inspect and take a copy of a public record ("Public Records Requests"); and

WHEREAS, the Open Records Act, as amended by Act No. 2024-278, further provides that an Alabama resident "may request access to a public record by following the written procedures for accepting such requests established by the public officer having custody of the public record"; and

WHEREAS, the Commission desires to designate a public officer to carry out the directives of the Open Records Act, as amended by Act No. 2024-278, as they pertain to public records in the custody and control of the Commission and to develop and recommend to the Commission the adoption of procedures for accepting Public Records Requests.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by this Resolution that the Randolph County Commission hereby designates Travis Heard, County Administrator, to serve as the Public Officer of Randolph County to carry out the directives of the Open Records Act, as amended by Act No. 2024-278, as they pertain to public records in the custody and control of the Commission and to develop and recommend to the Commission from time-to-time the adoption of procedures for accepting Public Records Requests.

Adopted this 23rd day of September 2024.

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Chris Brown, Commission Chair