



**Resolution passed by the Irwin County Board of Elections and Registrations in their meeting held on April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026.**

WHEREAS, the Board is authorized to serve Irwin County voters and is trusted with representing their best interests in all election matters, and

WHEREAS, the Board's mission is to deliver fair, secure, accurate and transparent elections, and

WHEREAS, the Board is chartered and sworn to administer elections in their jurisdiction in compliance with all applicable state and federal laws, rules, regulations and constitutional provisions, and

WHEREAS, the Georgia General Assembly passed an Act relating to elections and primaries approved May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (Ga. L. 2024, p. 1028), SB 189, requiring the removal of QR and other machine coding of voter selections within the ballot for tabulation after July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the Georgia General Assembly has failed to adopt legislation and/or appropriate funds to allow compliance with said Act in a lawful manner,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board calls upon the Governor of the Great State of Georgia to call a Special Session of the Georgia General Assembly for the purpose of adopting legislation which allows for lawful compliance with said Act in an orderly manner which does not unnecessarily burden the taxpayers of this State nor imposes undue sudden uncertainty upon voters while allowing the Boards of this State's 159 counties to continue their missions unabated, and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board is empowered in its service to the voters of Irwin County to request a uniform voting system which does not separate the methods of voting or tabulation between advanced and election day votes cast, nor separates voters with or without additional accessibility needs, in order to best uphold the secret ballot provision mandated in Article II, Section I, Paragraph I of the Georgia Constitution.

The persons, whose signatures appear below, have been duly authorized to represent the Irwin County Board of Elections and Registrations and the voters of Irwin County this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026.

Waymond Harris, Chair

Patricia Thurman, Vice-Chair

Wyatt Thompson, Member

Ethan Compton, Supervisor

