RESOLUTION NO. 2018-27

A RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GRIFFITH, INDIANA CONCERNING THE MANNER AND DUTIES ASSOCIATED WITH A SPECIAL ELECTION ON A PUBLIC QUESTION ON THE REMOVAL OF GRIFFITH FROM CALUMET TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the Town of Griffith, Indiana, is an "eligible municipality" as defined under IC 36-1-1.5-2; and

WHEREAS, the Voters of the Town of Griffith submitted to the Clerk-Treasurer the required number of signatures advocating the removal of the Town of Griffith from Calumet Township to an adjacent township in accordance with IC 36-1-1.5-7; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Griffith has certified the aforementioned Voters'; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 36-1-1.5-8(2), a special election held at a time other than the time of the general election shall be governed by the requirements under IC 3-10-8-6; and

WHEREAS, the Griffith Town Council, on August 7, 2018, voted to establish September 25, 2018 as the date to hold the Special Election on the question of the Town of Griffith's removal from Calumet Township to an adjacent township; and

WHEREAS, the Special Election on the question of the Town of Griffith's removal from Calumet Township is such a special election and shall be held in the manner prescribed by IC 3-10-8-6; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements set forth under IC 3-10-8-6, the Lake County Board of Elections and Voter Registration and other local public officials who are required to perform any duties in connection with a general election shall perform the same duties for the special election, subject to the same provisions and penalties as for a general election;

WHEREAS, the Town of Griffith is operating under the understanding that the Lake County Board of Elections and Voter Registration shall fulfill its duties under Title 3 and Title 36, specifically those duties that pertain to special elections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Indiana, that the following manner and duties associated with the Special Election may be used:

- 1. The Griffith Town Council is requesting that the Special Election be conducted in a manner consistent with previous regularly scheduled elections and consistent with past election practices, including, but not limited to, the use of previous polling locations. In the case that past regularly scheduled election practices cannot be used, the Griffith Town Council supports the practices described in Sections 2, 3, and 4 below.
- 2. The Lake County Board of Elections and Voter Registration may provide, by unanimous vote of the entire membership, that several precincts may vote in the special election at the same

polling place so long as the consolidation will not result in undue inconvenience to voters,

- 3. The Lake County Board of Elections and Voter Registration may adopt, by unanimous vote of the entire membership, a resolution to provide that each precinct election board will include only one inspector and one judge, and one poll clerk may be nominated as precinct election officers.
- 4. If the Lake County Board of Elections and Voter Registration chooses to adopt the aforementioned resolution, the inspector shall be nominated by the county chairman entitled to nominate an inspector under IC 3-6-6-8. The judge shall act as a clerk whenever two clerks are required to perform a duty. The poll clerk shall act as the judge whenever two judges are required to perform a duty.
- 5. The Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Griffith is authorized and shall give notice of the Special Election by publication in the manner prescribed by IC 5-3-1. The publication cost associated with the public notice shall be paid by the public treasury of the Town of Griffith. Furthermore, this notice shall be published one time, at least ten days before the date of the election.
- 6. The Griffith Town Council authorizes its President to execute any responsibilities required of the Town of Griffith for the Special Election, including, but not limited to, guiding, directing, and supervising any duties of the Town as required by IC 36-1-1.5.

SO RESOLVED, PASSED, AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, on this 7th day of August, 2018.

RICK RYFA, President

JAMES MARKER

LARRY BALLAH

MELISSA ROBBINS

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ATTEST:

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JOHN VOLKMANN, Clerk-Treasurer