

**RESOLUTION NO. ####-####-R**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMPLE, TEXAS, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR SENATE BILL 2885 RELATING TO AQUIFER STORAGE AND RECOVERY PROJECTS; AND PROVIDING AN OPEN MEETINGS CLAUSE.**

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 2885, as filed in the 89th Texas Legislature, ensures that highly treated reclaimed water—already safe enough to return to rivers and streams—can also be used to recharge aquifers through Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) projects;

WHEREAS, the City of Temple is in the process of developing an ASR project to improve long-term water supply resilience for its citizens, and the success of this project relies on the ability to use treated reclaimed water for recharge;

WHEREAS, current law allows discharge of highly treated reclaimed water into streams for downstream reuse, but does not clearly permit that same water to be directly injected into ASR wells for later recovery, creating a regulatory inconsistency;

WHEREAS, SB 2885 resolves this inconsistency, enabling cities like Temple to implement innovative and efficient water strategies that reduce reliance on traditional surface water sources, improve drought resilience, and extend the life of existing water supplies;

WHEREAS, the bill is essential for supporting responsible and science-based management of water infrastructure projects that benefit the Temple region and communities statewide;

WHEREAS, the City of Temple has actively worked with stakeholders and legislators to advance this critical legislation and believes its passage is in the best interest of Temple residents and the broader Central Texas region;

**Part 1:** The City Council of the City of Temple hereby expresses its strong support for Senate Bill 2885 and urges the Texas Legislature to pass the bill into law.

**Part 2:** The City Council further authorizes the City Manager, or her designee, to communicate this position to members of the Texas Legislature and to take such further action as is reasonably necessary to support the passage of SB 2885.

**Part 3:** It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this resolution was adopted was open to the public and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

CITY OF TEMPLE, TEXAS

TIMOTHY A. DAVIS, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jana Lewellen, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kathryn H. Davis, City Attorney