**ORDINANCE 516**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF**

**COLLINS, MISSISSIPPI, ADOPTING AND APPROVING A REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR**

**THE FOUR WARDS OF THE CITY OF COLLINS, MISSISSIPPI, DEFINING AND**

**DESCRIBING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE FOUR WARDS OF THE CITY,**

**ESTABLISHING A POLLING PLACE AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, 2020 census data published by the United States Bureau of the Census, disclosed a disparity in population from the ideal in all four wards of the City of Collins, Mississippi, rendering all wards potentially violative of the one person, one vote principle under the Equal Protection Clause of the 14th Amendment to the United States Constitution, thereby necessitating redistricting of the four wards of the City of Collins, Mississippi; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Collins, Mississippi, employed a professional demographer to consult with, advise and assist the Board with the gathering and evaluation of Census data and preparation of a redistricting plan for the City of Collins, Mississippi, in order that the four wards of the City will not have a substantial variation from equal population and will be of substantially the same population in accordance with the one person, one vote principle under the Equal Protection Clause of the 14th Amendment to the United States Constitution and, further, in order that the provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended, would be effectuated fully, and, finally, in order that the least change in ward lines would result from such redistricting; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Collins, Mississippi, after giving due public notice, did conduct a public hearing on June 7, 2022 concerning the proposed redistricting plan for the City and thereupon no objections were interposed concerning the proposed redistricting plan; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Collins, Mississippi, have determined that the proposed redistricting plan complies with the one person, one vote principle under the Equal Protection Clause of the 14th Amendment to the United States Constitution, and the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended, which redistricting plan has minimal effect on presently existing City ward lines, racial balance, and voting strength of minorities, which redistricting plan divides the City of Collins, Mississippi, into four wards with each having a demographic profile as indicated in the table attached hereto and incorporated herein and made a part hereof as if fully set forth herein, marked exhibit A.

**WHEREAS**, in the formation and preparation of the redistricting plan for the City of Collins, Mississippi, it was necessary for the boundaries of the City wards as presently constituted to be changed and altered as set forth and shown on the map of the City of Collins, Mississippi, attached hereto and incorporated herein and made a part hereof as if fully set forth herein, marked exhibit B.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF COLLINS, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1: DEFINITION OF WARDS

That the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Collins, Mississippi, finds it to be in the

best interest of the municipality and its citizenry, and in the public convenience and necessity,

and do hereby ordain that the four wards of the City of Collins, Mississippi, shall be and are

hereby defined and described as follows:

Ward Number 1

BEGINNING at the intersection of the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184 and the West Corporate Limit Line of the City of Collins; thence run northerly along the West Corporate Limit Line of the City of Collins to the north Corporate Limit line of the City of Collins; thence run easterly along the north Corporate Limit line of the City of Collins to the east Corporate Limit line of the City of Collins; thence run southeasterly along the east Corporate Limit line of the City of Collins to the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184; thence run southwesterly along the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184 a distance of approximately 1,375 feet, to the centerline of North Arrington Avenue; thence run northwesterly along the centerline of North Arrington Avenue to the centerline of Fourth Street North; thence run southwesterly along the centerline of Fourth Street North to the centerline of North Fir Avenue; thence run Northwesterly along the centerline of North Fir Avenue a distance of approximately 3,300 feet to the centerline of Selma Road; thence run Southwesterly along the centerline of Selma Road a distance of approximately 415 feet to the centerline of U.S. Highway 49; thence run southeasterly along the centerline of U.S. Highway 49 a distance of approximately 2,570 feet to the centerline of Magnolia Avenue; thence run westerly along the centerline of Magnolia Avenue to the centerline of West Frontage Road; thence run southeasterly along the centerline of West Frontage Road a distance of approximately 1,100 feet to the centerline of Longino Street; thence run westerly, southwesterly, and southerly along the centerline of Longino Street a distance of approximately 3,400 feet, to the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184; thence run southwesterly along the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184 a distance of approximately 2,225 feet, to the west Corporate Limit line of the City of Collins, this being the POINT of BEGINNING.

Ward Number 2

BEGINNING at the intersection of the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184 and the centerline of North Arrington Avenue; thence run northwesterly along the centerline of North Arrington Avenue to the centerline of Fourth Street North; thence run southwesterly along the centerline of Fourth Street North to the centerline of North Fir Avenue; thence run Northwesterly along the centerline of North Fir Avenue a distance of approximately 3,300 feet to the centerline of Selma Road; thence run Southwesterly along the centerline of Selma Road a distance of approximately 415 feet to the centerline of U.S. Highway 49; thence run southeasterly along the centerline of U.S. Highway 49 a distance of approximately 2,570 feet to the centerline of Magnolia Avenue; thence run westerly along the centerline of Magnolia Avenue to the centerline of West Frontage Road; thence run southeasterly along the centerline of West Frontage Road a distance of approximately 1,100 feet to the centerline of Longino Street; thence run westerly, southwesterly, and southerly along the centerline of Longino Street a distance of approximately 3,400 feet, to the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184; thence run Northeasterly along the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184 to the centerline of US Highway 49; thence run Southeasterly along the centerline of US Highway 49 a distance of approximately 1,275 feet to a Southwesterly extension of the centerline of South Third Street; thence run Northeasterly to and along the centerline of South Third Street to the centerline of South Elm Avenue; thence run Southeasterly along the centerline of South Elm Avenue to the centerline of Gerald McRaney Street; thence run Northeasterly along the centerline of Gerald McRaney Street to the centerline of South Dogwood Avenue; thence run northwesterly along the centerline of South Dogwood Avenue to the centerline of South Fourth Street; thence run Northeasterly along the centerline of South Fourth Street to the centerline of South Cherry Avenue; thence run Southeasterly along the centerline of South Cherry Avenue to the centerline of South Fifth Street; thence run northeasterly along the centerline of South Fifth Street to the centerline of South Ash Avenue; thence run northwesterly along the centerline of South Ash Avenue to the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184; thence run southwesterly along the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184 to the centerline of North Arrington Avenue and the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Ward Number 3

BEGINNING at the intersection of the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184 and the West Corporate Limit Line of the City of Collins; thence run northeasterly along the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184 a distance of approximately 5,175 feet, to the centerline of US Highway 49; thence run Southeasterly along the centerline of US Highway 49 a distance of approximately 1,275 feet to a Southwesterly extension of the centerline of South Third Street; thence run northeasterly to and along the centerline of South Third Street to the centerline of Komo Street; thence run southeasterly and northeasterly along the centerline of Komo Street to a point lying 50 feet southwest of the intersection of the centerline of Komo Street and Juniper Avenue; thence run southeasterly to the centerline of South Seventh Street; thence run northeasterly along the centerline of South Seventh Street to the centerline of South Gardenia Avenue; thence run southeasterly along the centerline of South Gardenia Avenue to the centerline of South Ninth Street; thence run northeasterly along the centerline of South Ninth Street to the centerline of South Fir Avenue; thence run southeasterly along the centerline of South Fir Avenue a distance of approximately 620 feet, to the centerline of Thyer Drive; thence run southerly and westerly along the centerline of Thyer Drive to the centerline of South Ninth Street; thence run southerly along the centerline of South Ninth Street to the centerline of Doris Street; thence run easterly along the centerline of Doris Street to the centerline of Roberts Street; thence run southerly along the centerline of Roberts Street to the centerline of US Highway 49; thence run southeasterly along the centerline of US Highway 49 to the centerline of Cold Springs Road; thence run southerly along the centerline of Cold Springs Road to the west Corporate Limit line of the City of Collins; thence run northwesterly along the west Corporate Limit line of the City of Collins to the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184, this being the POINT of BEGINNING.

Ward Number 4

BEGINNING at the intersection of the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184 and the East Corporate Limit Line of the City of Collins; thence run southwesterly along the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184 a distance of approximately 1,075 feet, to the centerline of South Ash Avenue; thence run southeasterly along the centerline of South Ash Avenue to the centerline of South Fifth Street; thence run southwesterly along the centerline of South Fifth Street to the centerline of South Cherry Avenue; thence run northwesterly along the centerline of South Cherry Avenue to the centerline of South Fourth Street; thence run southwesterly along the centerline of South Fourth Street to the centerline of South Dogwood Avenue; thence run southeasterly along the centerline of South Dogwood Avenue to the centerline of Gerald McRaney Street; thence run southwesterly along the centerline of Gerald McRaney Street to the centerline of South Elm Avenue; thence run northwesterly along the centerline of South Elm Avenue to the centerline of South Third Street; thence run southwesterly along the centerline of South Third Street a distance of approximately 1,900 feet, to the centerline of Komo Street; thence run southeasterly and northeasterly along the centerline of Komo Street to a point lying 50 feet southwest of the intersection of the centerline of Komo Street and Juniper Avenue; thence run southeasterly to the centerline of South Seventh Street; thence run northeasterly along the centerline of South Seventh Street to the centerline of South Gardenia Avenue; thence run southeasterly along the centerline of South Gardenia Avenue to the centerline of South Ninth Street; thence run northeasterly along the centerline of South Ninth Street to the centerline of South Fir Avenue; thence run southeasterly along the centerline of South Fir Avenue a distance of approximately 620 feet, to the centerline of Thyer Drive; thence run southerly and westerly along the centerline of Thyer Drive to the centerline of South Ninth Street; thence run southerly along the centerline of South Ninth Street to the centerline of Doris Street; thence run easterly along the centerline of Doris Street to the centerline of Roberts Street; thence run southerly along the centerline of Roberts Street to the centerline of US Highway 49; thence run southeasterly along the centerline of US Highway 49 to the centerline of Cold Springs Road; thence run southerly along the centerline of Cold Springs Road to the west Corporate Limit line of the City of Collins; thence run southeasterly along the west Corporate Limit line of the City of Collins to the south Corporate Limit line of the City of Collins; thence run easterly along the south Corporate Limit line of the City of Collins to the east Corporate Limit line of the City of Collins; thence run northerly and northwesterly along the east Corporate Limit line of the City of Collins to the centerline of Mississippi Highway 184, this being the POINT of BEGINNING.

SECTION 2: ELECTION OF MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS

That at the next election for the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, and all subsequent elections thereafter, that one alderman shall be elected from each of the said wards above described, one alderman shall be elected from the municipality at large, and the Mayor shall be elected from the municipality at large.

SECTION 3: ESTABLISHMENT OF POLLING PLACE

There is hereby established for all four of the wards and the City one polling place which shall be at the **Collins Civic Center at 3220 Highway 49 South, Collins, Mississippi, 39428.**

SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE

That this ordinance shall become effective in accordance with the provisions of *Mississippi Code Annotated* §21-1-13 and the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish this Ordinance in accordance therewith.

SECTION 5: REVISION OF VOTER REGISTRATION BOOKS

That upon the effectuation of this Ordinance, the authorized election officials shall proceed to revise the registration books and poll books of the City of Collins, Mississippi, in such a manner as is necessary to change the registration books of the voting wards affected thereby to be so changed as to conform to the change of wards and to contain only the names of qualified electors in the voting wards as made by the change of ward boundaries and to reassign those registered voters whose wards are changed by this order and to notify such persons by United States mail, postage prepaid, of their reassignment as soon as practicable when accomplished.

SECTION 6: REPEALER

That any ordinance, or parts thereof, of the City of Collins which is found to be in conflict with the foregoing shall be repealed only to the extent that such conflict exists.

**Whereupon** the above Ordinance was reduced to writing, read and considered paragraph by paragraph, and section by section and then as a whole at this regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on June 7, 2022, and after the discussion thereof; **Alderwoman Lundy** moved that Ordinance 516 be adopted and replaces any previous Redistricting Ordinances, which motion was duly seconded by **Alderman Thompson** was submitted for a vote of all Aldermen present and voting and the following vote was recorded, to-wit:

 **VOTING AYE: VOTING NAY: ABSENT:**

Alderman Magee Yes None None

Alderman Thompson Yes

Alderman Buffington Yes

Alderman Lundy Yes

Alderman Shoemake Yes

**WHEREUPON**, the Mayor declared the Ordinance duly adopted and enacted on this the 7th day of June 2022.

Hope Magee Jones, Mayor

Attest:

Suzette Davis, City Clerk

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF COVINGTON

CERTIFICATE

I, Suzette Davis, City Clerk in and for the City of Collins, Mississippi, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of ORDINANCE NUMBER 516 ADOPTED BY THE Mayor and Board of Aldermen at its Regular Meeting of June 7, 2022, and is duly of record in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 300 Main Street, Collins, Mississippi, in Minute book #26.

Witness my Signature and Official Seal of Office on the 7th day of June 2022.

Suzette Davis, City Clerk

City of Collins, Mississippi

Publish One Time: June 22, 2022.