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LEON COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 23-35 1 2 3 RESOLUTION **OF** THE **BOARD OF COUNTY** 4 COMMISSIONERS **OF** LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA, 5 RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING THE REESTABLISHMENT 6 OF AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE KNOWN AS THE TOURIST 7 DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, WHICH SHALL OPERATE AND 8 FUNCTION AS A DECISION-MAKING COMMITTEE; AND 9 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. 10 11 **RECITALS** 12 WHEREAS, Section 125.0104, Florida Statutes authorizes the Leon County Board of County 13 14 Commissioners of Leon County, Florida, to levy and impose a Tourist Development Tax on the exercise of the privilege of renting, leasing, or letting for consideration any living quarters or 15 accommodations within the County boundaries, in any hotel, apartment hotel, motel, resort motel, 16 apartment, apartment motel, rooming house, mobile home park, recreational vehicle park, 17 condominium, or timeshare for a term of six (6) months or less; and 18 19 WHEREAS, on October 20, 1986, the Leon County Board of County Commissioners adopted a Resolution that established the Leon County Tourist Development Council; and 20 21 WHEREAS, On January 14, 1988, the establishment of the Leon County Tourist Development 22 Council by resolution of the Leon County Board of County Commissioners on October 20, 1986 was 23 ratified and confirmed by Ordinance No. 88 - 01; and 24 WHEREAS, on January 29, 2002, Section 2 of the Resolution adopted on October 20, 1986, providing for the membership of the Leon County Tourist Development Council was amended; and 25 WHEREAS, Section 125.0104, Florida Statutes, and the Leon County Code of Laws, Chapter 26 11, Article XX, Division 3., Sec. 11-734 provides that the Tourist Development Council for a County 27 shall consist of nine (9) members, who shall be electors of the County, appointed to staggered four-28 29

WHEREAS, the County desires to have the Executive Director of the Council on Culture and Arts and a representative from the Tallahassee Sports Council serve as liaisons to the Leon County Tourist Development Council for the purpose of evaluating opportunities to maximize utilization of

Tourism Development taxes and enhancing the County's support of sports and cultural activities; and

WHEREAS, the Leon County Tourist Development Council was established prior to the adoption of Policy No. 03-15, "Board Appointed Citizen Committees" by the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board"); and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to adopt this Resolution to ratify and confirm the establishment of this council, consistent with the provisions of Policy No. 03-15.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

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Section 1. Establishment of the Tourist Development Council.

- 5 The Board hereby ratifies and confirms the establishment of a decision-making committee known as
- 6 the Leon County Tourist Development Council (the "TDC"), consistent with the provisions of Section
- 7 125.0104, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and the Leon County Code of Laws, Chapter 11, Article XX, Division
- 8 3., Sec. 11-734.
- 9 The TDC shall function and operate as a Decision-Making Committee in accordance with the Leon
- 10 County Policy No. 03-15, "Board Appointed Citizen Committees."
- 11 As provided by Policy No. 03-15, the County Administrator or his/her designee shall assign a Leon
- 12 County staff member from the Division of Tourism to provide staff support to the TDC.

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Section 2. Purpose.

- 15 The purpose of the TDC, consistent with Section 125.0104, F.S., is to make recommendations to the
- Board for effective operation of any special projects or for uses of the tourist development tax revenue.
- 17 In addition, review expenditures of revenues from the tourist development tax trust fund to ensure they
- support the objectives of the Tourist Development Plan.

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Section 3. Membership.

- The TDC members shall be electors of the County, and shall consist of the following nine (9) voting
- 22 members, appointed by the Board of County Commissioners:
- i. The Chairperson of the Leon County Board of County Commissioners, or another County Commissioner designated by the Chairperson shall serve a one-year term concurrent with the term as Chair, and shall serve as Vice-Chairperson of the TDC.
- 26 ii. Two (2) elected municipal officials, who shall not serve as Chair of the TDC.
- 27 iii. Three (3) members who shall be owners or operators of motels, hotels, recreational vehicle parks, or other tourist accommodations in the County subject to the Tourist Development Tax.
- iv. Three (3) members who shall be persons who are involved in the tourist industry and who have demonstrated an interest in tourist development, but who are not owners or operators of motels, hotels, or other tourist accommodations in the County subject to the Tourist Development Tax.
- Any unexpired terms of the TDC members as of the effective date of this Resolution shall remain in effect until their scheduled expiration.

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Section 4. Membership Terms

- 36 The TDC members shall serve for staggered terms of 4 years, except for the Leon County Chairperson
- of the Board of County Commissioners who serves a one-year term concurrent with the term as
- 38 Chairperson. The six members who are persons involved in the tourist industry, shall not serve more
- than three (3) full consecutive terms in accordance with Policy No. 03-15.

Section 5. Special Provisions.

- There may be two liaisons to the TDC; the liaison are not members of the TDC, nor shall they have the same rights and privileges held by the TDC members:
 - i. The Executive Director of the Council on Culture and Arts; whose representation shall be continuous.
 - ii. A representative from the Tallahassee Sports Council; whose representation shall be continuous.

The liaison representation to the TDC may be removed at any time, for any reason, with or without notice by the Leon County Board of County Commissioners by a simple majority vote at any regularly scheduled meeting of the Leon County Board of County Commissioners.

Section 6. Quorum.

A quorum of the Tourist Development Council shall be a majority of voting members.

Section 7. Effective Date.

This Resolution shall have effect upon adoption and shall supersede Resolutions 86-42 and 02-02.

DONE, ADOPTED AND PASSED by the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County,

Florida, this 10th day of October , 2023.

LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Nick Maddox, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

ATTESTED BY:

Gwendolyn Marshall Knight, Clerk of Court
& Comptroller, Leon County, Florida

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

- 37 Chasity H. O'Steen, County Attorney
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