## BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS RESOLUTION NO. 25-01

## A RESOLUTION IN RESPONSE TO THE REQUEST OF THE CITY OF UNION TO MERGE AND REORGANIZE PRECINCTS TO ESTABLISH DISTINCT PRECINCTS AND SEPARATE VOTING LOCATIONS FOR THE CITY OF UNION

WHEREAS, pursuant to KRS 117.035, the County Board of Elections, at the direction and under the supervision of the State Board of Elections, is tasked with the administration of the election laws and the registration and purgation of voters within the County; and

WHEREAS, the Boone County Board of Elections is committed to upholding its statutory duties and promoting efficient and transparent electoral processes for the entire County of Boone; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Elections is tasked with establishing precinct lines pursuant to KRS 117.055, which must accommodate and be consistent with congressional districts, state senatorial and representative districts, a justice of the peace or county commissioner's district, and district for board members of the Boone County Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, City of Union adopted Resolution No. 2025-01, dated January 22, 2025, requesting that the Boone County Board of Elections merge and reorganize precincts to establish distinct precincts and separate voting locations for the City of Union; and

WHEREAS, the City of Union has not prescribed by ordinance a change to the manner of election of city officers as permitted by KRS 83A.050, and accordingly, holds its elections pursuant to the general election laws as provided in KRS Chapters 116 through 121;

WHEREAS, at the time of the last election (November 2024), the County of Boone was divided into forty-seven (47) polling locations, sixteen (16) of which were identified as "consolidated" polling locations with multiple precincts; and

WHEREAS, at the time of the last election (November 2024), there were seventeen (17) "split precincts" with multiple different ballots; and

WHEREAS, the Boone County Board of Elections, in compliance with its duties as set forth in KRS 117 et seq., has taken action on behalf of all the residents of Boone County to best serve the needs of all voters within the County;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

1. That the Chairman, Justin Crigler, Boone County Clerk, shall provide notice of the following actions taken by the Boone County Board of Elections in response to the Resolution of the City of Union, by forwarding a copy of the Resolution hereto, to the City of Union, Kentucky:

- a. The Board of Elections, with the assistance of the Boone County Planning Commission and consistent with the dictates of KR\$ 117.055, submitted and received approval from the State Board of Elections for a revision of precinct boundary lines, which has reduced the number of split precincts within the entire County of Boone from seventeen (17) to fifteen (15);
- b. That at the time of the last election, November 2024, there were eight (8) "Union" precincts. Of these eight (8), five (5) were within the City of Union, three (3) of which were split precincts wherein individuals other than the residents of the City could vote. As the result of the efforts of the Boone County Board of Elections, the number of precincts within the City of Union is now at four (4), and the number of split precincts has been reduced to two (2), representing the most feasible option for improving voting by City of Union residents, while upholding the legal requirements concerning district boundaries set forth in KRS 117.055; and
- c. The Boone County Clerk will utilize twenty (20) additional print on-demand ballot printers for the 2026 primary and general elections, so that each consolidated polling location will be equipped with at least one print on-demand ballot printer and each split precinct will be equipped with at least one print on-demand ballot printer.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY 3 MEMBERS OF THE BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, on this the 16 day of October, 2025.

ATTEST:

Board Secretary and Keeper of Minutes