RESOLUTION NO. 169-2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS APPOINTING A HEALTH AUTHORITY AND MEDICAL DIRECTOR FOR THE ABILENE-TAYLOR COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DR. GARY GOODNIGHT AS THE HEALTH AUTHORITY AND MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

WHEREAS, the Local Public Health Reorganization Act, Chapter 121, Texas Health and Safety Code provides that a governing body of a municipality or the commissioner's court of a county may enforce any law that is reasonably necessary to protect the public health; and

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene, Texas and Taylor County, Texas, have created the Abilene-Taylor County Public Health District to provide public health services in this region; and

WHEREAS, a Health Authority is a physician appointed under the terms of the Local Public Health Reorganization Act to administer state and local laws relating to public health within the appointing body's jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, a Health Authority must be a competent physician with a reputable professional standing who is legally qualified to practice medicine in the state of Texas, and be a resident of the state of Texas, and

WHEREAS, the Health Authority shall serve a term of two years and may be appointed to successive terms;

WHEREAS, Dr. Gary Goodnight meets the qualifications to be appointed as the Health Authority and as the Medical Director of the Abilene-Taylor County Public Health District; and

WHEREAS, the Taylor County Commissioners have also approved Dr. Gary Goodnight as the Health Authority of the Abilene-Taylor County Public Health District.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS:

- **PART 1.** That Dr. Gary Goodnight is appointed as the Health Authority for the region covered by the Abilene-Taylor County Public Health District, and shall serve a term of two years.
- PART 2. That Dr. Gary Goodnight is appointed as the Medical Director for the Abilene-Taylor County Public Health District.
- **PART 3.** That the City Manager is authorized to negotiate and enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Dr. Gary Goodnight as the Health Authority and Medical Director.
- PART 4. That this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED this 14th day of October, 2021.

ATTEST:

Shawna Atkinson, City Secretary

Anthony Williams, Mayor

APPROVED:

Stanley Smith, City Attorney