RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 500 LAKES

WHEREAS, Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 500 (the "District"), a political subdivision of the State of Texas, is a master district that provides or will provide regional facilities to its service area, which is comprised of the District, Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 501, Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 502, and Harris County Municipal Utility District No 503 (the "MUD 500 Service Area"); and

WHEREAS, the District was created and organized, among other purposes, for the purpose of controlling, storing, preserving and distributing the storm and other waters of the MUD 500 Service Area, and the reclamation, irrigation, and drainage of the land located within the MUD 500 Service Area; and

WHERAS, in order to carry out these purposes, the District owns or will own certain detention and drainage facilities within the MUD 500 Service Area (the "Lakes"); and

WHEREAS, the District utilizes the Lakes for the purposes of detention and drainage, as well as for storage of non-potable water that may be used in accordance with the District's Resolution Adopting Policy Regarding Non-Potable Water Use, dated August 5, 2015, as may be amended from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the District acknowledges that, pursuant to the Amended and Restated Maintenance Agreement Between the District and Towne Lake Community Association, Inc., dated December 1, 2015, as may be amended from time to time, the Towne Lake Community Association, Inc. (the "Association") is authorized to and has permitted the use of the Lakes for recreational purposes, in addition to the District's use of the Lakes for detention and drainage and non-potable water storage purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the District finds it necessary to adopt rules and regulations relating to the use of the Lakes in order to ensure that the Lakes continue to serve their primary detention and drainage and non-potable water storage purposes, and that the use of the Lakes for recreational purposes does not interfere with their primary detention and drainage and non-potable water storage functions; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the District, under the authority of Section 54.205 of the Texas Water Code, may adopt and enforce reasonable rules relating to the use, operation, management, administration, and policing of its water-related facilities as it considers appropriate and to regulate privileges on land owned or controlled by the District; and

WHEREAS, Section 49.004 of the Texas Water Code provides that the Board of Directors may set reasonable civil penalties for the breach of any rule of the District in an amount not to exceed \$10,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 500 THAT:

- <u>Section 1:</u> The facts recited above are hereby declared to be true and correct.
- Section 2: Under the authority of Section 54.205 of the Texas Water Code, the District hereby adopts, and considers appropriate and reasonable, the Rules and Regulations Governing the Use of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 500 Lakes, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (the "Lake Rules").
- <u>Section 3:</u> Any person, corporation, or other entity violating the Lake Rules of this Resolution may be subject to a fine of up to \$10,000 per violation in addition to any other penalty provided by the Texas law, as provided for in Section 49.004 of the Texas Water Code.
- <u>Section 4</u>: The District is hereby authorized to publish a substantive statement of these rules, regulations and penalties as required by Section 54.207 of the Texas Water Code, and such penalties described herein shall be effective and enforceable five days after publication.

[EXECUTION PAGE FOLLOWS]

PASSED, APPROVED, AND EFFECTIVE this $3^{\rm rd}$ day of February, 2021.

President, Board of Directors

Secretary, Board of Directors
(SEAL)

EXHIBIT "A"

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 500 LAKES

Unless specifically authorized by Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 500 (the "District") or the Towne Lake Community Association, Inc. (the "Association"), it shall be prohibited for any person to do any of the following acts, except as otherwise may be provided herein:

- (a) parasailing or operating motorized personal watercraft, watercraft with jet or rotax motors, wave runners, jet skis, motor powered surfboards, rigid inflatable boats, zodiacs, air boats, lifeboats, or impeller driven watercraft;
- (b) use of wake enhancing devices or operations;
- (c) swimming or wading, except during the daytime between sunrise and sunset in swim areas designated by ropes or buoys or, for organized long-distance swimmers who plan to swim outside of a designated swim area, when accompanied by a non-motorized boat, towing a highly visible buoy, and wearing a brightly colored swim cap;
- (d) operating any motorized vehicles, motorized boats, other types of motorized watercraft, or non-motorized watercraft that are not registered and in good standing with the Association and, where required, visibly displaying current Association boat decals;
- (e) operating any motorized vehicles, motorized boats, or other types of motorized watercraft without current comprehensive general liability insurance coverage in the minimum amount of \$300,000, and/or without listing Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 500 as an additional insured under the required comprehensive general liability insurance;
- (f) operating any motorized vehicles, motorized boats, or other types of motorized watercraft at a rate of speed greater than 30 miles per hour during the daytime between sunrise and sunset, or operating any motorized vehicles, motorized boats, or other types of motorized watercraft greater than at a no wake speed within 30 feet of a shoreline, a boat underway at no wake speed, a person in the water, a non-motorized watercraft, an anchored boat, a diver down flag, or in a designated no wake zone;
- (g) operating any motorized vehicles, motorized boats, or other types of motorized watercraft at night between sunset and sunrise at an unsafe or

- unreasonable speed, or without proper use of working and visible navigation lights, or towing any skiers or rafts;
- (h) operating any non-motorized watercraft at night between sunset and sunrise;
- (i) operating any non-motorized watercraft during the day between sunrise and sunset outside of a no wake zone or farther than 30 feet from the shoreline, except when crossing to the opposite shore;
- operating any motorized vehicles, motorized boats, or other types of motorized watercraft by an individual under the influence of alcohol or drugs;
- (k) operating any motorized vehicles, motorized boats, or other motorized watercraft by an individual without a current, valid Texas driver's license available to show at all times;
- (l) operating any motorized vehicles, motorized boats, or other motorized watercraft by an individual who has not completed a Texas Parks & Wildlife Department boater safety course;
- (m) operating any land based motorized towing devices;
- (n) towing skiers or rafts in a no wake zone;
- (o) anchoring any type of boat, watercraft, inflatable raft, or inflatable toy with any type of anchor designed to penetrate the bottom of the Lakes; only dead weight anchoring is permitted;
- (p) fishing or netting aquatic life or placing traps, trot lines, cast nets, trawl nets, or gill nets in the water; provided, however, that catch and release fishing is permissible if permitted by the Association and conducted pursuant to a valid Texas Parks and Wildlife Department fishing license, if required;
- (q) fishing from the top of a bridge;
- (r) unauthorized feeding, harassing, or harming of alligators, beavers, waterfowl or other wildlife;
- (s) disposing of animal waste in the Lakes;

- (t) disposing of hazardous chemicals, including but not limited to gasoline, diesel, paint, wood stains, paint thinners, pool chlorine and acids, motor oil, or antifreeze, in the Lakes;
- (u) leaving or disposing of garbage, cans, bottles, papers, or other refuse in the Lakes; and
- (v) unauthorized placing of any material from the shoreline into the Lakes.

Use of the Lakes shall be at the sole risk of each individual. The District and the Association accept no responsibility or liability for: (i) any injuries sustained by a user as result of such use; and (ii) any penalties or fines resulting from enforcement of federal, state, and municipal laws, rules, and regulations applicable to the Lakes. All users are advised that the Lakes are a natural habitat for various wildlife, including but not limited to alligators, Egyptian geese, snakes, and beavers.