Resolution No. 2022-12-14

NORTH-WEST FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE 2023 REGULAR DISTRICT ELECTION AND APPOINTING A DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL

WHEREAS, the North-West Fire Protection District ("*District*") is a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, organized pursuant to C.R.S. § 32-1-101, et seq. ("*Special District Act*");

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 1-13.5-111, the District is required to hold a regular election on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in May in the year 2023 to fill Director positions that have become vacant through expiration of the term of office or otherwise. Accordingly, the District is required to hold an election on May 2, 2023 ("*Election*");

WHEREAS, during the Election, two (2) eligible individuals must be elected to fill the positions currently held by Director Zingler and Director Kritzmire, which elected individuals will then serve for a term of four (4) years each, and one (1) eligible individual must be elected to fill the position currently held by Director Rial, which elected individual will then serve for a term of two (2) years;

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. §§ 1-13.5-108 and 32-1-804(2), the District's Board of Directors ("Board") is required to name a Designated Election Official ("DEO") who is responsible for conducting the Election in accordance with the Colorado Local Government Election Code, the Special District Act, and all other applicable laws, rules, and regulations (collectively, "Applicable Law"); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to set forth certain procedures concerning the conduct of the Election.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the North-West Fire Protection District that:

- 1. A regular mail ballot election of the eligible electors of the District shall be held on May 2, 2023, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. pursuant to and in accordance with all Applicable Law. At that time, two (2) Directors will be elected to serve a four-year term each, and one (1) Director will be elected to serve a two-year term. There shall be no election precinct or polling place. All mail ballots shall be returned to the Designated Election Official's office, located at 7995 E. Prentice Ave. Suite 103 E, Greenwood Village, CO 80111.
- 2. The Board hereby designates Sue Blair to serve as the District's DEO for the Election. The DEO shall have full authority to take all actions necessary and appropriate to conduct the Election in accordance with the requirements of Applicable Law, including, but not limited to, publishing a Call for Nominations, appointing election judges as necessary, appointing the

Canvass Board, arranging for the required notices of election, printing of ballots, and directing that all other appropriate actions be accomplished.

- 3. Self-nomination and acceptance forms shall be available at from (i) the Designated Election Official via email <u>elections@crsofcolorado.com</u> or phone at 970-669-3611 (ii) at Fire Station 2 located at 21455 US Highway 285, Fairplay, Colorado; and (iii) at the Designated Election Official's office located at the above address. All candidates must file self-nomination and acceptance forms with the DEO no earlier than January 1, 2023, nor later than the close of business on Friday, February 24, 2023.
- 4. If the only matter before the electors is the election of Directors of the District and if, at the close of business on February 27, 2023, there are not more candidates than offices to be filled at the Election, including candidates timely filing affidavits of intent to be a write-in candidate, then the Designated Election Official shall cancel the Election and declare the candidates elected by acclamation. Notice of such cancellation shall be published and posted in accordance with the requirements of Applicable Law.
- 5. The District shall be responsible for the payment of any and all costs associated with the conduct of the Election, including its cancellation, if necessary.
- 6. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.
 - 7. The provisions of this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED this 11th day of January, 2023 by the Board of Directors of the North-West Fire Protection District.

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