

## **RESOLUTION 2024-15**

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF BROOKLAND TO SUPPORT THE CRAIGHEAD COUNTY ½ CENT SALES TAX INCREASE TO BUILD A NEW CRAIGHEAD COUNTY DETENTION CENTER

WHEREAS, the current Craighead County Detention Center has been open since 1990, when the county's population was around 60,000. The population of Craighead County has since doubled, and

WHEREAS, Craighead County Detention Center has 392 beds, but it averages around 420 inmates every day causing overcrowding, and

WHEREAS, the current Craighead County Detention Center after a number of additions has reached its useful life due to size, design and maintenance issues, and

WHEREAS, the City of Brookland utilizes and pays a fee to Craighead County to house City of Brookland inmates alleviating the need for the City of Brookland to construct, operate and maintain a city jail, and

WHEREAS, the Craighead County Quorum Court has passed a ballot measure for a ½ cent sales tax increase to be placed on the ballot for the November 5, 2024 general election to pay for the construction of a new Craighead County Detention Center with the sales tax to sunset after payment for construction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOKLAND, ARKANSAS THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The City of Brookland pledges its full support for a ½ cent Craighead County Sales Tax increase for the purposes of constructing and paying for a new Craighead County Detention Center with the sales tax to sunset after payment of the construction.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED THIS 13th DAY OF AUGUST 2024.

Kenneth D. Jones, Mayor

ATTEST:

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