



## RESOLUTION

OPPOSING THE ELIMINATION OF THC IN TEXAS

### RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A BAN ON TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL (THC) IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

**WHEREAS**, tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) is the primary psychoactive component of cannabis and is responsible for the intoxicating effects associated with marijuana use; and

**WHEREAS**, numerous studies have linked high-potency THC use to adverse health effects, including increased risk of addiction, cognitive impairment, mental health disorders such as anxiety, psychosis, and depression, particularly among youth and vulnerable populations; and

**WHEREAS**, THC products, including edibles, concentrates, and vaping oils, are often marketed in a manner that appeals to children and teenagers, increasing the risk of underage use and accidental ingestion; and

**WHEREAS**, the widespread availability and use of THC-containing products have been associated with increased motor vehicle accidents, workplace incidents, and other public safety concerns in jurisdictions where such products are legal or loosely regulated; and

**WHEREAS**, federal law under the Controlled Substances Act continues to classify THC as a Schedule I substance, indicating a high potential for abuse and no accepted medical use at the federal level; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Texas and Lubbock County have a vested interest in protecting public health, maintaining public safety, and preventing drug misuse and addiction among its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, existing alternatives such as low-THC cannabidiol (CBD) products may offer therapeutic benefits without the psychoactive effects or risks associated with high-THC cannabis products; and

**WHEREAS**, during the 86th Legislative Session the Texas Legislature passed House Bill 1325, legalizing and regulating hemp, and defining it as any part of the Cannabis sativa L.

(cannabis) plant with a delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) concentration of not more than 0.3 percent; and

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 1325 makes it impossible to distinguish, beyond a reasonable doubt, between plant forms of marijuana and hemp without a lab test to measure THC concentration,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Lubbock County Commissioners Court, on this day August 25, 2025, formally supports a statewide ban on the manufacture, distribution, sale, possession, and use of THC-containing products in the State of Texas, except in strictly regulated, medically-necessary circumstances as determined by the Texas Legislature and appropriate medical authorities; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Lubbock County Commissioners Court urges the Texas Legislature, Governor, and relevant state agencies to enact and enforce laws and regulations that protect Lubbock County residents from the harms associated with THC use, and to prioritize education, prevention, and treatment programs addressing substance abuse; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to members of the Texas Legislature, the Governor of Texas, and other relevant stakeholders to affirm our commitment to the health and safety of our communities.

Passed and Approved on this 25th Day of August, 2025.

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Curtis Parrish, County Judge

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