TOWN OF MEAD, COLORADO RESOLUTION NO. 17-R-2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF MEAD, COLORADO, APPROVING THE SUBMISSION TO THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF MEAD AT THE APRIL 7, 2020 REGULAR ELECTION, A BALLOT ISSUE CONCERNING AN ADDITIONAL LODGING OCCUPATION TAX COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2021

WHEREAS, the Town of Mead (the "Town"), is a Colorado statutory town duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, C.R.S. § 31-15-501(1)(c) authorizes the Town to levy occupation taxes within its borders; and

WHEREAS, the Town currently imposes lodging occupation tax of \$2.00 per day, per occupied lodging room or accommodation pursuant to Sec. 4-7-30 of the *Mead Municipal Code* ("MMC"); and

WHEREAS, the lodging occupation tax was approved by voters at the November 1, 2005 coordinated election by passage of Ballot Issue 2A; and

WHEREAS, the provision of lodging rooms and similar accommodations to the traveling public results in increased use of Town street and rights-of-way, increased traffic, increased demands upon municipal services such as police protection, and otherwise has impacts on the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Mead; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees desires and finds that it is necessary to propose an additional lodging occupation tax of \$4.00 per day per occupied room or accommodation (increasing the Town's lodging occupation tax from \$2.00 per day to \$6.00 per day); and

WHEREAS, at the November 1992 general election the citizens of Colorado adopted Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution (TABOR), and it is necessary and desirable to submit for voter approval the proposed increase in the Town's lodging occupation tax and exemption of this revenue from TABOR's fiscal restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees finds and determines that it is necessary and desirable to submit to the electors of the Town voting at the April 7, 2020 regular election, the question of adopting an additional lodging occupation tax of \$4.00 per day on the short term rental of any hotel room, motel room, lodging room, motor hotel room, guesthouse room or other similar accommodation located within the Town; and

WHEREAS, the form of the ballot issue set forth in this Resolution below is hereby approved and ordered submitted to the voters of April 7, 2020; and

WHEREAS, upon approval of the ballot issue by the majority of the registered electors voting thereon at the April 7, 2020 election, the Board of Trustees shall be authorized to adopt an implementing ordinance, making all necessary changes to Article 7 of Chapter 4 of the MMC.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Mead, Weld County, Colorado, that:

Section 1. The Board of Trustees hereby approves and refers the following ballot issue for submission to the voters to appear on the ballot for the regular election to be held on April 7, 2020:

SHALL TOWN OF MEAD TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$30,000.00 ANNUALLY (FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR INCREASE) AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNTS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER, BY THE ADOPTION OF AN ADDITIONAL LODGING OCCUPATION TAX IN THE AMOUNT OF FOUR DOLLARS (\$4.00) PER DAY PER OCCUPIED ROOM OR ACCOMMODATION FOR A TOTAL TAX OF SIX DOLLARS (\$6.00) PER DAY PER OCCUPIED ROOM OR ACCOMMODATION, SUCH TAX BEING APPLICABLE TO THE SHORT-TERM RENTAL (LESS THAN ONE (1) MONTH OR THIRTY CONSECUTIVE DAYS) OF ANY HOTEL ROOM, MOTEL ROOM, LODGING ROOM, MOTOR HOTEL ROOM. GUESTHOUSE ROOM OR OTHER SIMILAR ACCOMMODATION, WITH THE ADDITIONAL \$4.00 PER DAY PER OCCUPIED ROOM OR ACCOMMODATION COLLECTED IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE TOWN'S EXISTING LODGING OCCUPATION TAX, AND SHALL ALL REVENUES DERIVED FROM SUCH ADDITIONAL OCCUPATION TAX BE COLLECTED AND SPENT ON ANY LAWFUL MUNICIPAL PURPOSE. WITH SUCH REVENUES TO BE COLLECTED AND SPENT AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REVENUE OR EXPENDITURE LIMITATIONS CONTAINED IN ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

 YES
NO"

- **Section 2.** This Resolution shall serve to set the title and content for the ballot issue set forth herein and the ballot title for such issue shall be the text of the issue itself.
- **Section 3.** The Town Clerk is authorized to correct typographical errors and omissions and to cause to be entered into any blanks of the ballot issue the appropriate ballot issue number or letter upon designation of the ballot number or letter by the appropriate election official. The Town Clerk shall certify the ballot content for the regular election, including the ballot issue set forth above no later than 60 days before the election.
- **Section 4.** The Town Manager, Town Attorney and Town Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary and appropriate action to effectuate the provisions of this Resolution

including the taking of all reasonable and necessary action to cause such approved ballot issue to be printed and placed on the ballot for the election. Upon approval of the above ballot issue by a majority of the registered electors of the Town voting thereon, the Board of Trustees shall enact an implementing ordinance making all necessary changes to Article 7 of Chapter 4 of the MMC.

Section 5. Effective Date. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption. Subject to voter approval of the April 7, 2020 regular election, the additional lodging occupation tax shall apply to the leasing of any hotel room, motel room, lodging room, motor hotel room, guesthouse room or other similar accommodation for less than thirty (30) days which occurs on or after January 1, 2021.

Section 6. Repealer. All resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed, provided that such repealer shall not repeal the repealer clauses of such resolution nor revive any resolution thereby.

Section 7. Certification. The Town Clerk shall certify to the passage of this resolution and make not less than one copy of the adopted resolution available for inspection by the public during regular business hours.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, AND ADOPTED THIS 27TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2020.

ATTEST:

Mary E. Strutt MMC

TOWN OF MEAD

Colleen G. Whitlow, Mayor