Resolution Honoring Tarrant County Criminal District Court No. 2 Judge Wayne Francis Salvant on 29 Years of Judicial Service

WHEREAS, the Honorable Judge Wayne Francis Salvant has presided over Tarrant County District Court No. 2 for 29 years, beginning in 1995 and continuing, without cessation, until December 2024; and

WHEREAS, during this tenure, Judge Salvant deliberated some of the county's most noteworthy trials, including those of Daryl Lynn Jackson, who killed one man and wounded another outside Union Gospel Mission, in 2015; Ethan Couch, who is widely recognized as the "affluenza teen," in 2016; rapper Tay-K, who killed a man during a home invasion, then recorded a Top 100 song referencing the murder, in 2018; and Rickey Edwards, who notoriously represented himself after killing his wife and stepson, in 2023; and

WHEREAS, Judge Salvant, is a celebrated jurist who has earned accolades including Outstanding Lawyer of the Year from the Tarrant County Black Bar Association; Thurgood Marshall Heritage Award for Criminal Justice from the Arlington Branch of the NAACP; Silver Gavel Award from the Tarrant County Bar Association; and Hall of Fame induction from his alma mater, Southern University Law Center; and

WHEREAS, Judge Salvant will retire from the Tarrant County District Court No. 2 bench in December 2024 after a long and distinguished legal career as an investigating attorney, private practice lawyer and judge;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County Texas, do hereby honor the legal service of **the Honorable Judge Wayne Francis Salvant, an exceptional jurist and** valued community partner, and calls upon all citizens to celebrate his public service.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of Tarrant County to be affixed this third day of December 2024