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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS**

**RESOLUTION DOCUMENTING THE ANNUAL SALARY OF THE DISTRICT
ATTORNEY FOR THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT.**

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Office of the District Attorney for the Twenty-Third Judicial District was created by HB20-1026. It comprises the three counties of Douglas, Elbert, and Lincoln; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 20-1-301(1)(a)(V) “Effective January 1, 2012, and for each year thereafter, in every judicial district the district attorney shall receive as compensation for his or her services the sum of not less than one hundred thirty thousand dollars per annum.”; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 20-1-301(1)(a)(VI) “Effective July 1, 2026, and every July 1 thereafter, the district attorney in every judicial district must receive compensation for their services in an annual amount that is not less than the compensation earned by a full-time district court judge within the state of Colorado at the time the four-year district attorney term begins” and that any amount in excess of that amount shall be set by the boards of county commissioners of the counties comprising the judicial district; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 20-1-306, “The compensation of district attorneys in every judicial district of the state as set forth in section 20-1-301(1)(a) must be paid in twelve equal monthly installments of which the state shall contribute eighty percent of the minimum amount required by section 20-1-301(1)(a) annually and the county or the counties comprising the judicial district shall contribute the balance, with each county's payment to be in the same proportion as provided in section 20-1-302.”; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 20-1-302 those “expenses shall be borne by the various counties in the judicial district, each in the proportion that the population of such county bears to the population of the whole judicial district, according to the last preceding population estimate that is prepared before May 1 of the current year by the division of planning in the department of local affairs....”; and

WHEREAS, as of the execution of this resolution, the State Office of Local Affairs estimates the population of each of the several counties and their proportion to the population of the 23rd Judicial District is: Douglas (383,910—92%), Elbert (27,825—6.7%), and Lincoln (5,514—1.3%); and

WHEREAS, George Brauchler was elected District Attorney for the 23rd Judicial District on November 5th, 2024, and

WHEREAS, available County Commissioners from Douglas, Elbert, and Lincoln Counties met on December 18th to review and determine a fair salary; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS;

THAT, the salary for George Brauchler is set at \$275,000.00 for 2025; \$283,250.00 for 2026; \$291,748 for 2027; and \$300,500 for 2028; and

THAT, the Board's determination represents Douglas County's commitment to pay its percentage of said salary, and this determination shall be subject to the payment of the percentage contributions by the Boards of County Commissioners of Elbert, and Lincoln Counties as required by law, and increased contributions from the State of Colorado Effective July 1, 2026; and

THAT, the salary identified herein will not result in a request for an increased contribution from Elbert or Lincoln Counties above the amount already budgeted by those Counties for 2025; and

THAT, it is understood that the District Attorney's benefits include the use of an office car in accordance with the policy of the District Attorney's Office, as well as only those benefits which are received uniformly by all full-time employees of the District Attorney's Office and those benefits which result from the State salary contribution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____ 2025, in _____ County, Colorado.

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO**

BY:

ABE LAYDON, Chair

ATTEST:

HAYLEY HALL, Clerk to the Board