

ORDINANCE 2024-_____

AN ORDINANCE TO CONDUCT A REFERENDUM TO ESTABLISH TERM LIMITS FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the City of Mt. Juliet adopted home rule pursuant to Article XI, Section 9, of the Tennessee Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Article XI, Section 9, of the Tennessee Constitution permits a home rule city to amend its charter by adopting an ordinance proposing an amendment and thereafter submitting the question to the voters in the next general state election; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mt. Juliet Board of Commissioners currently have no term limits; and

WHEREAS, whereas the Board of Commissioners desires to impose term limits upon the members of the Board.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Mt. Juliet, Tennessee as follows:

Section 1. City Charter Section 6-20-103, upon approval by the qualified voters in the next general state election, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and establishing a new subsection (b) as follows:

Any person previously elected three times to the Board of Commissioners, including the mayor position, is ineligible to be elected for any additional terms. Service prior to the passage of this measure shall not count in determining length of service. A portion of any term for which a person is appointed as a commissioner shall not count as a “term” as referenced herein.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED:

Section 2. In case of conflict between this ordinance or any part hereof, and the whole or part of any existing ordinance of the City, the conflicting ordinance is repealed to the extent of the conflict but no further.

Section 3. If any section, clause, provision or portion of this ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect any other section, clause, provision or portion of this ordinance.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED:

James Maness, Mayor

FIRST READING:
SECOND READING:

ATTEST:

Sheila S. Luckett, MMC
City Recorder

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kenny Martin, City Manager

L. Gino Marchetti, Jr.
City Attorney