# COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY MUHLENBERG COUNTY FISCAL COURT RESOLUTION NO. \_2024-0725-01

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFERENDUM TO DETERMINE WHETHER CANNABIS BUSINESS OPERATIONS MAY OCCUR IN THE COUNTY OF MUHLENBERG

**WHEREAS**, on April 15, 2024, the Kentucky General Assembly adopted House Bill 829, signed into law by the Governor on April 17, 2024, amending KRS Chapter 218 B, the Kentucky Medical Cannabis chapter; and

**WHEREAS**, KRS §218B.130 authorizes local governments to pass resolutions directing that the question of prohibiting cannabis businesses from operating within its territory be submitted to the voters of its territory at the next regular election;

**WHEREAS,** the County of Muhlenberg wishes to utilize the authority granted to it by KRS §218B.130 to direct that the question of prohibiting cannabis businesses from operating within the County of Muhlenberg be submitted to the voters of the County of Muhlenberg at the next regular election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by Muhlenberg County Fiscal Court, Commonwealth of Kentucky:

#### Section 1

#### **Definitions**

The definitions within KRS § 218B.010 are hereby adopted as if set out herein and as relevant to this resolution.

#### Section 2

#### Cannabis Business Referendum Authorized

Pursuant to KRS §218B.130 (2) (a) (2) and KRS §218B.130 (3)(b), the Muhlenberg County Fiscal Court hereby resolves that the question of prohibiting cannabis business from operating within the County of Muhlenberg be submitted to the voters of the County of Muhlenberg at the next regular election in accordance with the language in KRS §218B.130(3)(b).

The ballot for the 2024 election shall state as follows: "Are you in favor of the sale of medicinal cannabis at a licensed dispensary and the operation of other cannabis businesses in Muhlenberg County, Kentucky? Yes or No?

#### Section 3

### **Effective Date**

This resolution shall be effective upon its enactment and publication by the Muhlenberg County Fiscal Court.

William Mack McGehee
Muhlenberg County Judge-Executive

Passage by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ on the 25th day of July, 2024

Crystal Smith

Muhlenberg County Fiscal Court Clerk