

ORDINANCE NO. ____

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF KILLIAN TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE SHERIFF OF LIVINGSTON PARISH FOR GENERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES, SUSPEND THE TOWN OF KILLIAN POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND TERMINATING THE POSITIONS OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE AND ALL POLICE EMPLOYEES WHEREAS, the Town of Killian is authorized under Article VII, Section 14(C) of the Louisiana Constitution to enter into cooperative endeavor agreements with other public entities for a public purpose that promotes the health, safety, and welfare of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Killian seeks to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (hereinafter "Agreement") with Jason Ard, in his official capacity as Sheriff of Livingston Parish, to provide general law enforcement services within the corporate limits of the Town of Killian in lieu of the Town providing police functions through its own police department; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement serves a public purpose by preserving public peace and order, preventing crime, apprehending criminals, assisting courts and other law enforcement officials, and enforcing the laws of the State of Louisiana, applicable Parish ordinances, and the ordinances of the Town of Killian, thereby enhancing the safety and security of Killian residents; and

WHEREAS, to effectuate the Agreement and ensure efficient delivery of law enforcement services, the Town Council finds it necessary to Suspend the Town of Killian Police Department and terminate the positions of the Chief of Police and all police employees, as the Sheriff's services will fully replace the Town's police functions; and

WHEREAS, the terms of the Agreement have been reviewed by the Town Council and found to be in the best interest of the Town of Killian and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Town of Killian, subject to the terms and conditions set forth therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Killian, Louisiana, that:

- Authorization of Cooperative Endeavor Agreement: The Mayor of the Town of Killian is hereby authorized to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Jason Ard, Sheriff of Livingston Parish, for the provision of general law enforcement services, including patrol, investigation, auxiliary, and technical services, within the corporate limits of the Town of Killian, in lieu of the Town providing police functions through its own police department.
- Terms of Agreement: The Agreement shall include, but not be limited to, the following terms:
 - The Sheriff shall provide general law enforcement services, including enforcement of State statutes, applicable Parish criminal ordinances, and Town ordinances, consistent with the duties of the Sheriff under the Louisiana Constitution and the duties previously performed by the Chief of Police under the Town's Home Rule Charter.
 - The Sheriff shall furnish all labor, equipment, and supplies necessary to deliver these services, including sheriff's deputies as primary responders, and shall maintain all records, evidence, and property related to law enforcement activities in the Town.
 - The Town shall reimburse the Sheriff at a rate of \$100,000.00 per fiscal year, payable in quarterly installments of \$25,000.00, with the first payment due on the effective date of the Agreement.
 - The Agreement shall have a term of one (1) year from its effective date, with automatic termination at the end of the term unless renewed in writing by both parties.
 - Either party may terminate the Agreement with sixty (60) days' written notice, or the Sheriff may terminate immediately if the Town fails to make payment within thirty (30) days past the due date.

- All revenue from traffic summonses, misdemeanor summonses, or court-imposed fines or fees shall be transmitted to the Town by the Sheriff in a timely manner.
- The Agreement complies with all applicable state and local laws, including Article VII, Section 14(C) of the Louisiana Constitution.
- Suspension of Police Department: The Town of Killian Police Department is hereby suspended, effective upon the effective date of the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement, as the Sheriff's services will fully replace the Town's police functions.
- Termination of Police Personnel: The positions of the Chief of Police and all police employees of the Town of Killian are hereby terminated, effective upon the effective date of the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement. The Town shall comply with all applicable state and local laws regarding employee termination, including any required notice or severance obligations.
- Public Purpose: The Agreement is entered into for the public purpose of enhancing public safety and security through the provision of professional law enforcement services by the Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office, which benefits the residents of the Town of Killian by ensuring efficient and effective law enforcement.
- Funding: The Town's financial contribution of \$100,000.00 per fiscal year shall be funded through the Town's general fund or other appropriated funds, subject to approval by the Town Council.
- Execution: The Mayor is authorized to sign the Agreement and any related documents necessary to implement the Agreement, subject to review by the Town Attorney to ensure compliance with all legal requirements.
- Severability: If any provision of this ordinance is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.
- Effective Date: This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and approval as required by law, and the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement, suspension of the police department, and termination of police personnel shall take effect upon execution of the Agreement by both parties, anticipated to be on or about Date: _____

• The Town Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance and cause the same to be published as required by law. A motion was made by _____ to adopt the ordinance and was duly seconded by _____. This ordinance having been introduced on Date: _____, by _____, notice of public hearing having been published, said public hearing having been held, and been read by the title at a regular meeting of the Town Council on Date: _____, and called for final passage and having been put to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Caleb Atwell, Mayor _____

Jessica Albarado, Town Clerk CERTIFICATEI, Jessica Albarado, Town Clerk of the Town of Killian, do hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance is a true and exact copy adopted by the Killian Town Council at a meeting thereof legally held on the _____ day of _____, 2025.

Jessica Albarado, Town Clerk Delivered to Mayor: Date _____

Received from Mayor: Date _____

Effective Date: _____

