



**RESOLUTION OF THE
CALALLEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Calallen Independent School District (“Calallen ISD” or “District”) is committed to the safety and security of all students and staff at Calallen ISD; and

WHEREAS, the 88th Texas Legislature passed House Bill 3 addressing school safety and security to include amending the Texas Education Code by adding Section 37.0814, effective September 1, 2023, requiring the board of trustees of a public school district to determine the appropriate number of armed security officers for each district campus; and

WHEREAS, Texas Education Code 37.0814 requires an armed security officer at each campus during regular school hours, and each armed security officer must be either a school district peace officer, school resource officer, or commissioned peace officer employed as security (referred to collectively as, “commissioned peace officer”); and

WHEREAS, the District currently cooperates with Nueces County and the City of Corpus Christi for the provision of school resource officers, but there is not a school resource officer assigned to every District campus on a full-time basis;

WHEREAS, Texas Education Code 37.0814(c) provides a good cause exception for Districts that are not able to provide a commissioned peace officer at every campus during regular school hours due to the availability of funding or lack of qualified commissioned peace officers, so long as school districts develop an alternative standard for compliance; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined that the District qualifies for the good cause exception(s), due to the lack of funding to contract for additional school resource officers, and/or due to the shortage of available qualified commissioned peace officers in the District’s geographical area; and

WHEREAS, the District along with Nueces County Sheriff’s Department, Nueces County Constable’s Office, and/or Corpus Christi Police Department are actively seeking resources for additional school resource officers to provide to Districts within Nueces County or the City of Corpus Christi, and should resources become available and the positions be filled, the District intends to contract with Nueces County Sheriff’s Department, Nueces County Constable’s Office, and/or Corpus Christi Police Department regarding the provision of additional school resource officer(s); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has developed an alternative as outlined in Texas Education Code 37.0814(c) for the safety and security of students and staff, by utilizing school resource offices in conjunction with appropriately trained, armed security officers through a contract with an outside entity, on each campus who will carry a handgun on school premises.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Calallen Independent School District has determined, pursuant to Texas Education Code 37.0814(c), that the District qualifies for the good cause exception to providing armed security officers at each campus during regular school hours, and has developed a suitable alternative for providing safe and secure campuses by utilizing school resource offices in conjunction with appropriately trained, armed security officers through a contract with an outside entity, on each campus who will carry a handgun on school premises.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees hereby finds that the District in determining this good cause exception and establishing the alternative standard is in compliance with Texas Education Code 37.0814; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be placed in the meeting Minutes of the Calallen ISD Board of Trustees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent shall take all actions necessary and appropriate to implement this resolution in compliance with State and Federal law and District policies, in consultation with the Board of Trustees and to ensure that documentation is maintained related to the district’s implementation of and compliance with these laws, including documentation related to the good cause exception and to provide said documentation to the Texas Education Agency as prescribed.

CERTIFICATE FOR RESOLUTION

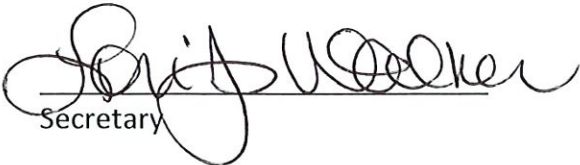
I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was presented to the Board of Trustees of the Calallen Independent School District during a lawfully called meeting on **August 2, 2023**. A quorum of the Board being then present, a motion was made to accept the resolution and seconded, such resolution was then adopted according to the following vote:

Ayes: 6
Noes: 0

Abstentions _____



President



Secretary