

**IN THE CITY OF LANCASTER, MISSOURI  
A PROCLAMATION DECLARING A SPECIAL ELECTION**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF LANCASTER, MISSOURI DOES HEREBY PROCLAIM AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, The City of Lancaster held its regular municipal election on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, and included in such election a position for Mayor and

WHEREAS, candidates James J. Foster and Lucas McElhinney each were on the ballot for election as a candidate for Mayor; and

WHEREAS, Candidates James J. Foster and Lucas McElhinney each received 69 votes for such office, thus placing them in a tie; and

WHEREAS, Missouri Revised Statute section 115.517(3) sets forth that, in the event of a tie vote for an elected seat, the officer with whom such candidates filed their declaration of candidacy shall issue a proclamation stating the fact of the tie vote and ordering a special election to determine which candidate is elected to the office.

NOW THEREFORE, Margaret Reynolds, City Clerk, same being the person to whom the candidates announced their candidacy, does hereby call upon the City Council of the City of Lancaster to direct her to order a special election to be held; and further to provide a copy of this Proclamation to the County Clerk, Lisa Small, same being the election authority for Schuyler County, and authorizing the City of Lancaster to pay for the costs of such special election, and for such other and further orders as may be required of said City Clerk to effectuate the terms of Missouri Revised Statute section 115 .517.

**PROCLAMATION**

Margaret Reynolds, City Clerk of the City of Lancaster, shall comply with the directives assigned to her in Missouri Revised Statute Section 115.517(3); and hereby, with the approval of the City Council, does direct Lisa Small, in her capacity as Clerk of Schuyler County, Missouri to hold a Special Election between James J. Foster and Lucas McElhinney on **Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at the Schuyler County Courthouse, Lancaster, voting hours 6:00AM to 7:00PM** to determine which of them shall be elected to fill the seat of Mayor for the City of Lancaster, Missouri, and said City Clerk understands that she is to make payment to the County Clerk of such sums as shall be necessary for the costs of said election, and to assist the County Clerk in any way necessary to effectuate the holding of said Special Election.

This Proclamation shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, April 10, 2023 and the City Clerk, Margaret Reynolds shall have the full authority and directive to act as instructed above.

Affix Seal



Margaret Reynolds, City Clerk    April 11, 2023