RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, RE-APPOINTING JOHNNY C. BARAJAS THE PRESIDING MUNICIPAL JUDGE, SETTING COMPENSATION, AND APPOINTING JOHNNY C. BARAJAS AS HEARING OFFICER, LIQUOR AUTHORITY, AND MARIJUANA AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 8.2(B) of the City of Brighton Charter, the City Council is charged with the responsibility of appointing, by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members in office, a presiding Municipal Judge and such Deputy Municipal Judges as the Council deems necessary; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 8.2(C) of the City of Brighton Charter, each Municipal Judge shall be appointed for a two (2)-year term; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 8.2(D) of the City of Brighton Charter, City Council must establish the compensation for the Presiding Municipal Judge; and

WHEREAS, City Council appointed Johnny C. Barajas as the Presiding Municipal Judge in Resolution No. 2024-42 after conducting interviews and finding Johnny C. Barajas qualified for the position; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that Johnny C. Barajas has at least five (5) years' experience in the active practice of law, and is a licensed attorney in good standing in Colorado, agrees to be bound to the Colorado Code of Judicial Conduct if appointed as Presiding Municipal Judge for the City of Brighton Municipal Court; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds Johnny C. Barajas qualified for the position and desires to re-appoint Johnny C. Barajas as Presiding Municipal Judge, Liquor Authority, Marijuana Authority, and Hearing Officer for Business Licenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Johnny C. Barajas is hereby appointed, *nunc pro tunc* to April 3, 2026, as the Presiding Municipal Judge for the Brighton Municipal Court for a two (2) year term ending on or about April 2, 2028.

Section 2. Johnny C. Barajas is hereby appointed, *nunc pro tunc* to April 3, 2026, as the Liquor Authority, Marijuana Authority, and Hearing Officer for Business Licenses for a two (2) year term ending on or about April 2, 2028.

Section 3. The City Council sets compensation for Johnny C. Barajas for part-time employment at the rate of $129,800.00 for the above appointments.

Section 4. The City Council authorizes the Mayor to sign a two-year Employment Agreement with Johnny C. Barajas for the part-time position of Presiding Judge, Liquor Authority, Marijuana Authority, and Hearing Officer.

Section 5. The City Council authorizes the Presiding Municipal Judge Johnny C. Barajas to interview and make recommendations to the City Council for Deputy Municipal Judge appointments.

Section 6. This Resolution is effective as of the date of its adoption.

RESOLVED this 5th day of May 2026.

CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO

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GREGORY MILLS, Mayor

ATTEST:

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NATALIE HOEL, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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ALICIA CALDERÓN, City Attorney