

**RESOLUTION OF THE  
NESHOPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

CAME ON FOR CONSIDERATION before this Board of Supervisors of Neshoba County, Mississippi recognition that a proposed reapportionment of supervisor districts and realignment of voting districts and voting precincts of Neshoba County, Mississippi should be accomplished based on the 2020 Census and after considerable study and thorough discussion, Honorable Kevin Wilcher moved to adopt the following resolution:

**ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF NESHOPA COUNTY,  
MISSISSIPPI ADOPTING A PROPOSED PLAN REAPPORTIONING SUPERVISOR  
DISTRICTS AND REALIGNING VOTING PRECINCTS AND POLLING PLACES OF  
NESHOPA COUNTY WHILE MAINTAINING CURRENT JUSTICE COURT JUDGE /  
CONSTABLE DISTRICTS OF NESHOPA COUNTY, ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC  
HEARING ON THE PROPOSED REAPPORTIONMENT AND REALIGNMENT PLAN  
FOR JANUARY 18, 2022, DIRECTING THE CLERK TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF  
SAID PUBLIC HEARING AND A COPY OF THE PROPOSED VOTING PLANS AND  
HOLDING SAME OUT FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION IN HIS OFFICE AND ON THE  
NESHOPA COUNTY WEBSITE AT WWW.NESHOBACOUNTY.NET**

WHEREAS, Neshoba County, Mississippi ("Neshoba County") is a body politic charged with establishing a voting plan and scheme for the election of supervisors, justice court judges and constables, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-281 et seq. as amended, Miss. Code Ann. § 19-3-1 as amended, Miss. Code Ann. § 9-11-2 as amended, and Miss. Code Ann. § 19-19-2 as amended, where the Board of Supervisors are authorized to fix and alter the Supervisors' district and Justice Court Judge/Constable districts, voting precincts and polling places;

WHEREAS, Neshoba County has established a voting plan and scheme to provide for five (5) districts in which to elect supervisors and two (2) districts in which to elect constables and justice court judges;

WHEREAS, certain data from the 2020 Federal Census was received by Neshoba County in August 2021 that reflected that the supervisor districts were alleged to be "malapportioned" such that Neshoba County is charged with the duty of reapportioning the supervisor districts to create more numerically even supervisor districts (See Exhibit "A");

WHEREAS, the same 2020 Federal Census data received does not reflect or evidence that the justice court judge or constable districts are "malapportioned;"

WHEREAS, Neshoba County, acting by and through the Neshoba County Board of Supervisors, has carefully considered the various options and alternatives to reapportion the supervisor districts and realign the voting precincts of Neshoba County while maintaining the minority majority districts;

WHEREAS, Neshoba County employs precinct-based ballot scanners that provides the flexibility and efficiency of digital-imaging technology to support paper-based ballots and voting in conjunction with ballot marking devices to ensure robust access for those voters needing assistance;

WHEREAS, Neshoba County seeks to present the proposed reapportionment of supervisor districts and realignment of voting precincts and polling places to the public for comment as attached and as follows:

- a.) Map depicting the proposed reapportioned supervisor districts (See Exhibit "B");



- b.) Map depicting the proposed realigned voting precincts and polling places (See Exhibit "C");
- c.) List of the proposed voting precinct names and polling place locations (See Exhibit "D");
- d.) Chart depicting the total population, total white population, total black population, total American Indian population, total white voting age population, total black voting age population and total American Indian voting age population of each reapportioned supervisor district (See Exhibit "E");
- e.) Map depicting the same justice court judge and constable districts (See Exhibit "F");

WHEREAS, the proposed reapportionment of supervisor districts and realignment of voting precincts, upon adoption thereof, would repeal, amend, supersede and otherwise change the existing supervisor districts and voting precincts; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed reapportionment of supervisor districts and realignment of voting precincts should receive comment from the general public and interested groups to ensure that said proposal does not have any adverse effect on the participation of minority groups in any elections under the proposed reapportionment and realignment plan;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, by the Board of Supervisors of Neshoba County, Mississippi, as follows:

1. The attached plan and scheme, as shown on Exhibits "B", "C", "D", and "E" that would reapportion supervisor districts and realign voting precincts, be adopted as the proposed voting plan and scheme for Neshoba County, Mississippi;
2. That public hearings be established and held on January 18, 2022 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. and on January 18, 2022 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Meeting Room at the Neshoba County Courthouse, to receive public comment on the proposed voting plan and scheme for Neshoba County. Further, that written comments received by the Board of Supervisors in care of the Chancery Clerk at 401 Beacon Street, Suite 107, Philadelphia, Mississippi 39350 or sent to [info@neshobacounty.net](mailto:info@neshobacounty.net) shall be deemed responsive to the request for public comment and included for consideration at the public hearings so established;
3. The proposed voting plan and notice of public hearing shall be published in The Neshoba Democrat for three (3) consecutive weeks, namely on December 29, 2021, January 5, 2022 and January 12, 2022; and,
4. The proposed voting plan and all relevant documentation related to such proposed plan be held in the Office of the Chancery Clerk and Office of the Board of Supervisors open to the public to inspect and further shall be published on the Neshoba County website at [www.neshobacounty.net](http://www.neshobacounty.net).



WHEREUPON, following the reading of the foregoing Order, Honorable Kinsey Smith seconded the Motion for its adoption. The President put the question to a roll call vote and the result was as follows:

Keith Lillis, Supervisor, District I	Aye
Kevin Cumberland, Supervisor, District II	Aye
Kinsey Smith, Supervisor, District III	Aye
Kevin Wilcher, Supervisor, District IV	Aye
Obbie Riley, Supervisor, District V	Aye


WHEREUPON, the Motion having received the necessary three-fifths (3/5) vote required for passage, the President declared the Motion carried and the Order adopted.

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED this the sixth day of December 2021.



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KEVIN CUMBERLAND, PRESIDENT  
NESHOPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
NESHOPA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

Attest:

  
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GUY NOWELL  
CHANCERY CLERK AND CLERK of the  
NESHOPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
NESHOPA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

