IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

AN ORDINANCE setting the 2021 Jackson County, Missouri tentative tax levy.

ORDINANCE NO. 5449, November 16, 2020

INTRODUCED BY Theresa Cass Galvin, County Legislator

WHEREAS, chapter 5, section 539.00 of the <u>Jackson County Code</u> requires the County Legislature to adopt a tentative tax levy sufficient to provide for appropriations in the County budget; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed 2021 annual County budget would require the following tax levies on each hundred dollars of assessed valuation for the fiscal year 2021:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>LEVY</u>
General Fund Health Fund Park Fund Special Road & Bridge Fund	\$0.2562 0.2740 0.1380 <u>0.2562</u>
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	<u>\$0.9244</u>

and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to authorization granted by sections 67.500 through .545, RSMo, the qualified voters in Jackson County on November 6, 1979, approved Jackson County Proposition #1 which imposed a county-wide sales tax of one-half of one percent and required that the total county property tax levy be reduced by 70% of the total amount of the sales tax revenues in the tax year; and,

WHEREAS, section 67.505, RSMo, requires that after the County has determined its budget, the total property tax levy must be reduced in an amount sufficient to decrease the total property taxes it will collect by an amount equal to 70% of the sales tax revenue in the same tax year; and,

WHEREAS, section 67.500 defines "sales tax revenue collected" as the amount of sales tax revenue received by a county during the first six calendar months of any year multiplied by two, which is not to be confused with budgeted revenues; and,

WHEREAS, the tentative estimate of the sales tax revenues in 2021, after economic activity taxes are remitted, is \$48,479,228.00; and,

WHEREAS, this tentative estimate is subject to revision based upon actual sales tax revenues during the first six months of 2021 and the permanent levy to be adopted in September 2021 will reflect actual sales tax revenues during the first six months of 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the County can levy a property tax recoupment rate if assessments are reduced after tax rates are set and the reductions are due to decisions of the State Tax Commission or a court or are due to clerical corrections; and,

WHEREAS, 2019 assessments were substantially reduced due to the factors set out in the previous paragraph, resulting in lost revenues to the County; now therefore, BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that it is the intent of the Legislature to levy a recoupment rate for the County's General Fund as authorized by law; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that, based upon tentative estimates of the sales tax revenues in 2021 and based upon the appropriations in the 2021 annual County budget, the following amounts on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation be set as the Jackson County tentative tax levy for the fiscal year 2021 on real and personal property within Jackson County, Missouri:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>LEVY</u>
General Fund	\$0.2259
Health Fund	0.1991
Park Fund	0.1204
Special Road & Bridge Fund	0.0688
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	<u>\$0.6142</u>

Effective Date: This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its signature by the County Executive.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:		
Chief Deputy County Counselor	County Counselor	
I hereby certify that the attached ordinance, Ordinance No. 5449 introduced on November 16, 2020, was duly passed on		
Yeas9	Nays	
Abstaining	Absent 6	
This Ordinance is hereby transmitted to the County Executive for his signature.		
12.14.2020 Date	Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature	
I hereby approve the attached Ordinance No. 5449.		
12 23 2020 Date	Frank White, Jr., County Executive	