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## IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

**A RESOLUTION** expressing support of the Legislature for Missouri Senate Bill 190 for potential real property tax relief and overall support for equitable property taxes.

**RESOLUTION NO. 21323** June 26, 2023

**INTRODUCED BY** Manuel Abarca IV, County Legislator

WHEREAS, expressing support for legislation that is equitable and fair in order to relieve Jackson County constituents that are cost burdened; and,

WHEREAS, in Jackson County there are approximately 296,000 real estate tax parcels; and,

WHEREAS, the County performs real property reassessment every odd year; and,

WHEREAS, according to the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, the estimated median household income for Jackson County in 2021 was only $63,282; and,

WHEREAS, according to the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, 30.35 percent of households in Jackson County are “burdened,” or spend thirty percent or more of their household income on housing costs, such as rent or mortgage expenses; and,

WHEREAS, populations who live on a fixed income, such as social security or pensions, will be

negatively impacted by an increase in property taxes that they cannot afford; and,

WHEREAS, the County has a responsibility to protect the working-class, historically marginalized, and vulnerable communities; and,

WHEREAS, increases in property taxes that do not take the foregoing issues into consideration can and will disproportionately damage vulnerable communities, increasing gentrification and making our County a more hostile place for immigrants to live; and,

WHEREAS, the County's residents should have the right to age in place and not be pushed out and or displaced from the County they choose to live in; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature expresses its support for SB190 and other bills pending before the Missouri General Assembly that aim to protect vulnerable communities and set equitable property assessment standards so as not to displace our County residents.

..Enacted and Approved
Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

_____ _____
Date County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 21323 of June 26, 2023, was duly

passed on _____, 2023 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas _____ Nays _____

Abstaining _____ Absent _____

_____ _____

Date Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature



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