WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Howard County Junior College District is the exercising authority for elections for the Howard County Junior College District, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, the Governor has issued a proclamation suspending certain provisions of the Texas Election Code and the Texas Water Code to allow all local political subdivisions that are utilizing the May 2, 2020, uniform election date to postpone their election to the November 3, 2020, uniform election date, and

WHEREAS, it is confirmed that the candidate filings for the election will remain valid for the election to be held on November 3, 2020, and that the filing period will not be re-opened for the November 3, 2020, election date, and

WHEREAS, it is confirmed that all Absentee Ballots by Mail (ABBM) for voters that are voting by mail due to being over the age of 65 or due to disability will still be valid for the postponed election, and that ABBMs for voters who submitted ABBMs based on expected absence from the county would not be valid for the postponed election, and

WHEREAS, the major relevant dates for the November election, including the voter registration deadline (October 5, 2020), the deadline to submit an ABBM (October 23, 2020), and the dates for early voting (October 19, 2020–October 30, 2020) will be used.

BE IT THEREFORE ORDERED, the Howard County Junior College District Board of Trustees hereby exercises this authority to postpone the May 2, 2020, uniform election date due to the COVID-19 pandemic until the uniform election date of November 3, 2020.