

# A Resolution

NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**DESIGNATING JESICA MCEACHERN TO SERVE AS AN ADVISORY  
DIRECTOR ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
THE BOTANICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF TEXAS, INC.,  
A TEXAS NON-PROFIT CORPORATION  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2023**

**WHEREAS**, the Botanical Research Institute of Texas, Inc. (“BRIT”) is a privately-created Texas nonprofit corporation organized for the purpose of, among other things, protecting, utilizing, expanding, enhancing, and caring for certain botanical collections for the benefit of scholarly research and general public education;

**WHEREAS** the City of Fort Worth (“City”) and BRIT are currently parties to two agreements including: a lease governing the development, construction, and operation of BRIT’s public botanical research institute located on City-owned property at 1700 University Drive (City Secretary Contract Number 31471); and a management agreement for operating and improving the Fort Worth Botanic Garden on City-owned property located at 1800 University Drive (City Secretary Contract Number 54201);

**WHEREAS** the City’s Ethics Code permits the City Council to designate a person to the board of directors or other governing board of a business entity without acquiring a substantial interest in the entity so long as the person receives no direct or indirect remuneration for his or her service and the primary nature of the business is either charitable, nonprofit or governmental;

**WHEREAS** on June 25, 2019 the City Council approved Resolution Number 5109-06-2019, designating Assistant City Manager Dana Burghdoff as an Advisory Director on the Board of Directors of BRIT, term to be effective on July 1, 2019 and continue for one year or until a successor is designated by the City Council;

**WHEREAS** the City Council as the appropriate body for designating individuals to the Board of Directors of BRIT on behalf of the City desires to designate Jessica McEachern as the successor Advisory Director on the Board of Directors of BRIT effective on October 1, 2023; and

**WHEREAS** Jessica McEachern will not receive remuneration or have any other financial interests in BRIT;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS, THAT:**

The City Council designates Assistant City Manager Jessica McEachern as a non-voting Advisory Director on the Board of Directors of BRIT, for a term to be effective

on October 1, 2023 and continue until a successor is appointed by the City Council.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2023.

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Jannette S. Goodall, City Secretary