A RESOLUTION OF THE City Council the City of Orange, ADOPTING A POSITION OF OPPOSITION TO PROPOSITION 50 ON THE NOVEMBER 2025 BALLOT

WHEREAS, Proposition 50, appearing on the November 2025 California ballot, proposes to amend the California Constitution to alter the process for drawing congressional districts; and

WHEREAS, the current process, established by voters, assigns the responsibility for drawing congressional districts to the independent California Citizens Redistricting Commission, designed to operate in a non-partisan manner; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 50 would transfer the authority to draw congressional districts from the California Citizens Redistricting Commission to the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the independent California Citizens Redistricting Commission was created to ensure fair and impartial district boundaries, including safeguards to keep cities, counties, and local communities together; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 50 would remove existing safeguards intended to maintain the integrity of local communities in the redistricting process; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 50 proposes dividing communities, forcing some cities and counties to be split among multiple congressional districts under the measure's new maps and diminishing their voice in Congress; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Orange recognizes the importance of maintaining a transparent and independent redistricting process to uphold public trust in electoral systems; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Orange believes that Proposition 50 undermines the voter-approved framework for fair redistricting in California;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Orange, California, hereby adopts an official position of opposition to Proposition 50 on the November 2025 ballot.