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DATE: <u>06/21/2022</u>

### SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF EXCEPTIONS TO FEE SCHEDULE FOR COURT INTERPRETERS

# \*\*\* CONSENT AGENDA \*\*\*

#### **COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve exceptions to Tarrant County's fee schedule for interpreters appointed by Criminal Courts.

## BACKGROUND

On December 8, 1988, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #79732, established an amount of \$50.00 per hour for court interpreters. On November 17, 2020, through Court Order #134246, the hourly rate for court interpreters was increased to \$100.00 per hour. Interpreter fees incurred prior to November 17, 2020, will adhere to the \$50.00 per hour rate.

One or more criminal court(s) required interpreter service exceeding the limit set by this Court Order.

- Josue Carmona for The Spoken Word, LLC (Spanish) Re: Case No. 1659540 Lillian Valladaresgaldamez \$95.00 per hour – 2 hour minimum fee charged (5/24/22), Invoice 004056 Visiting Judge Mollee Westfall for 432nd District Court
- 2. Kathy Ehmann-Clardy (Spanish)
  Re: Case 1706913 Hector Moreno Sanchez
  \$75.00 per half hour (5/20/22)
  Honorable Jamie Cummings, County Criminal Court No. 5

## FISCAL IMPACT

There will be no additional fiscal impact. Budgeted funds are available in the department's budget.

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