

**AN ORDINANCE TO DISCONTINUE THE TAX IMPOSED FOR
PUBLIC FACILITIES PURSUANT TO 55 ILCS 5/5-1006.5
BY FRANKLIN COUNTY ORDINANCE 2019-02 ON APRIL 16, 2019,**

WHEREAS, the citizens of Franklin County, by majority vote in the April 2, 2019, Consolidated Election, approved a proposition to give Franklin County the authority to increase its share of local sales tax by one per cent (1%) for public facility purposes, the construction of a new Franklin County Courthouse and to complete renovations to the Campbell Building to accommodate the offices of the Franklin County Clerk and Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board exercised the authority given to them by the citizens of Franklin County pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/5-1006.5 by implementing said increase of its share of local sales tax by one per cent (1%) by unanimous vote of the County Board on April 16, 2019, thereby adopting Franklin County Ordinance 2019-02; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board opted to establish a sunset provision of fifteen (15) years from the date the increase went into effect, if not terminated earlier by vote of the Franklin County Board; and

WHEREAS, the County Board, utilizing the funds collected and certain financing obtained, successfully renovated the Campbell Building, demolished the prior existing courthouse, and constructed a new courthouse located on the public square in Benton, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the renovations and construction are complete and any financing obtained for the public facilities will be paid in full by July 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board desires to exercise its authority to discontinue the tax imposed by Franklin County Ordinance 2019-02 on April 6, 2019, ahead of the sunset provision established in said Ordinance;

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED, RESOLVED, AND DECREED BY THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Tax Discontinued: The Franklin County Board, pursuant to the authority granted it by 55 ILCS 5/5-1006.5, hereby discontinues the tax previously imposed on April 16, 2019, by Franklin County Ordinance 2019-02.

Section 2. Clerk to file Ordinance with the Illinois Department of Revenue. The County Clerk is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this Ordinance with the Illinois Department of Revenue on or before May 1, 2026.

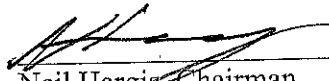
Section 3. Effective date. This Ordinance shall take effect on (i) the first day of July next following the adoption and filing of this Ordinance with the Department of Revenue, if filed on or before the preceding May 1st or (ii) the first day of January next following the

adoption and filing of this Ordinance with the Department of Revenue, if filed on or before the preceding October 1st.

Section 4. Repeal of conflicting provisions. All ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of conflict, expressly repealed on the effective date of this Ordinance.

Section 5. Severable. In the event that any section, clause or portion of this Ordinance is deemed invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction or the Illinois Department of Revenue, the remaining sections, clauses, and portions of this Ordinance shall survive.

THIS ORDINANCE WAS PASSED, APPROVED, and ENACTED at the special meeting of the Franklin County Board on the 6th day of April, 2026.


Neil Hargis, Chairman

ATTEST:


Paris Dunk, Franklin County Clerk

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