

PETITION FOR ELECTION ON INCORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF KEENE, TEXAS

TO THE HONORABLE H. G. LITTLEFAIR, COUNTY JUDGE OF JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS

We, the undersigned inhabitants of the town of Keene, Texas, desire that said town of Keene be incorporated, and we pray that an election be ordered on the question of the incorporation of said town of Keene, as provided in Chapter 11, Title 28, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas. We certify that each of the undersigned is a person who has attained the age of twenty-one (21) years, and who has resided within the limits of the town of Keene as more specifically hereinafter set out for more than six months next preceding the date of this application, and is a qualified elector under the laws of this State.

The boundaries of the proposed town of Keene, when incorporated, shall be as hereinafter set out by field notes, the perimeter of which field notes being particularly set out on the enclosed aerial photographic map by red lines, the area enclosed by the perimeter of red lines being the proposed city limits of said town of Keene, the field notes of which limits are as follows:

Starting at the southwest corner of the property of A. R. Schad and continuing in a Northwesterly direction along the West line to the Northwest corner; Thence North on a straight line through the W. E. Griffith land to the southeast corner of the Cliff Matthews' place; Thence North-Northwest along the East line of the Matthews' property to Highway #67; Thence across the highway to the Southwest corner of the W. H. Findley Lumber Yard; Thence Northwest on the west line of the Findley property to the northwest corner; Thence East on the North line to the Byron Alexander land; Thence North on the west line of the Alexander land to the Southeast corner of the Roy Young place; Thence West on the South line of the Roy Young land to the road formerly used by the

Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad; Thence West-Northwest on a straight line across the Ray Creel place to the Northwest corner of same; Thence North across the road to the southwest corner of the Huel Robinson place; Thence North along the West line of the Robinson place to the Northwest corner of same; Thence East on the North line to the Ruby Brown place; Thence North along the West line of the Brown place and the West line of the Julia Linton place to the road; Thence North across the road to the south line of the Ted McLain place; Thence North 660 feet; Thence East to the southwest corner of the Keene Cemetery; Thence East 1320 feet which point shall be the Northeast corner of the corporate limits; Thence South on a straight line along the East line of the Dave Beck place, and the West line of the A. J. Blevin''s place, the East line of the Joe Pearson place, the East line of the Keene Independent School property; Thence South on a straight line across Highway 67 and through the W. F. Alexander place to the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railroad right-of-way; Thence West to the railroad crossing of the Old Alvarado road; Thence follow the old Alvarado road in a Southwesterly direction to a point opposite the Southwest corner of the A. R. Schad place; Thence Northwest across the railroad to the southwest corner of the A. R. Schad place which is the starting point.

We accompany this petition with a plat as hereinabove described of the proposed town of Keene, and we include therein no territory except that which is intended to be used for strictly town purposes.

We, the undersigned, certify that we are familiar with the area enclosed within the above described town limits, and that same does not exceed two square miles. We further certify that we are familiar with the population status of the enclosed area, and that there are more than two hundred (200)

inhabitants therein; as a matter of fact there are approximately eight hundred (800) inhabitants residing therein.

The name of which the town of Keene will be known when incorporated will be the town of "Keene".

C. G. Shipman	Vernon C. Mohr
J. E. Nixon	Mrs. Vernon Mohr
C. B. Blair	J. G. Rhoads
Ben S. Putnam	R. J. Bascom
Mrs. Ben Putman	S. M. Bayliss
Harold E. Willis	Mrs. S. M. Bayliss
Mrs. Albert Pauly	R. R. Patzer
Mr. Albert Pauly, Jr.	C. M. Stoner
G. W. Flowers	Roy Young
J. H. Bischoff	Paul L. Wilson
C. H. Stoner	W. E. Griffiths
E. K. Birdwell	Mrs. C. B. Blair
J. D. Nelson	Charles D. Grady

Johnson County

Cleburne, Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF JOHNSON,

I, do certify that I have checked the 1955 poll tax list of voting box #24, Keene, Texas and find more than 20 qualified voters on the attached petition.

Witness my hand and seal of office this 21, day of April 1955.

DENNIS MCWILLIAM, TAX ASS'R-COL.

Tax Assessor - Collector

(seal)

By J. P. Seroyer, Deputy

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ORDER OF ELECTION TO INCORPORATE THE TOWN OF KEENE, TEXAS

THE STATE OF TEXAS) (

COUNTY OF JOHNSON) (

WHEREAS, on the 21st day of April, A. D. 1955, an application was presented to me for an election to be held in the town of Keene, Johnson County, Texas, to determine whether or not the town of Keene shall be incorporated as a town of more than two hundred (200) inhabitants and less than ten thousand (10,000) inhabitants, under Chapter 11, Title 28 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925 of the State of Texas and Amendments thereto, to be known when incorporated by the name of the City of town of Keene, and composed of and including the territory within the boundaries described as follows:

All of that certain land located in Johnson County, Texas, out of the following named surveys, to-wit: Jeremiah Williams, Abstract No. 890; Jeremiah Williams, Abstract No. 891, J. Pennington, Abstract No. 700; J. Pennington, Abstract No. 701; S. A. Howerton, Abstract No. 357; William Ray, Abstract No. 730; B. B. B. & C. R. R. Company Survey, Abstract No. 114; Charles H. Barker, Abstract No. 33; David Mize, Abstract No. 567, and Jacob G. Warren, Abstract No. 895, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

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Southeast corner of the Cliff Matthews' place; Thence North-northwest along the East line of the Matthews' property to Highway #67; Thence across the highway to the Southwest corner of the W. H. Findley Lumber Yard; Thence Northwest on the West line of the Findley property to the Northwest corner; Thence East on the North line to the Byron Alexander land; Thence North on the west line of the Alexander land to the Southeast corner of the Roy Young place; Thence West on the south line of the Roy Young land to the road formerly used by the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad; Thence West-Northwest on a straight line across the Ray Creel place to the Northwest corner of same; Thence North across the road to the Southwest corner of the Huel Robinson place; Thence North along the West line of the Robinson place to the northwest corner of same; Thence East on the North line to the Ruby Brown place; Thence North along the West line of the Brown place and the West line of the Julia Linton place to the road; Thence North across the road to the South line of the Ted McLain place; Thence North 660 feet; Thence East to the southwest corner of the Keene Cemetery; Thence East 1320 feet which point shall be the northeast corner of the corporate limits; Thence South on a straight line along the East line of the Dave Beck place, and the West line of the A. J. Blevin''s place, the East line of the Joe Pearson place, the East line of the Keene Independent School property; Thence South on a straight line across Highway 67 and through the W. F. Alexander place to the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railroad right-of-way; Thence West to the railroad crossing of the Old Alvarado road; Thence follow the old Alvarado road in a Southwesterly direction to a point opposite the Southwest corner of the A. R. Schad place; Thence Northwest across the railroad to the Southwest corner of the A. R. Schad place which is the starting point.

The perimeter of the above described filed notes is more particularly set out on that certain aerial photographic map which is attached to and made a part of the petition for election on incorporation of the town of Keene, Texas, which has been filed in the office of the County Judge of Johnson County, Texas on April 21, 1955, which perimeter of which field notes is shown by red lines, enclosing the area hereinabove described of said town of Keene, Texas; and

WHEREAS, satisfactory proof has been made to me and I find that the said town of Keene contains more than two hundred (200) inhabitants and less than ten thousand (10,000) inhabitants, and that said application bears the signatures of more than twenty (20) qualified voters resident in said town, and within the above described boundaries, and is in every respect in conformity with the law.

NOW, THEREFORE, I H. G. Littlefair, in my official capacity as County Judge of Johnson County, Texas, do hereby order that an election be held at the Town Fire Hall of Keene, located on the campus of Southwestern Junior College, on the Fourth day of May, A. D. 1955, at Keene, Texas, within the said town of Keene, Johnson County, Texas, to determine whether or not said city of or town of Keene shall be incorporated as a city of town of more than two hundred (200) inhabitants and less than ten thousand (10,000) inhabitants under the provision of Chapter 11, Title 28 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925 of the State of Texas and amendments thereto.

Mr. Spurgeon Bayliss, a qualified voter and a resident within the above described boundaries, a suitable person, is hereby appointed presiding officer for said election, and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same, and he shall, within ten (10) days after said election has

been held, make due return thereof to the County Judge of this County as is required by law holding such election.

All persons who have attained the age of twenty-one (21) years and who are legally qualified voters of this State, and who have resided within the above defined area for six months next preceding said election, shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all voters desiring to support the proposition of incorporation shall have written or printed on their ballots the word:

"CORPORATION"

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and those opposed to the proposition of incorporation shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"NO INCORPORATION".

The Sheriff of this County shall post notices of said election by posting three notices thereof in three public places within the boundaries of said above defined area ten (10) full days prior to the date fixed for said election.

DATED this 21st day of April, A. D. 1955.

H. G. Littlefair County Judge of
Johnson County, Texas.

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