

VAN BUREN COUNTY QUORUM COURT

ORDINANCE NO. O-2024-35

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF VAN BUREN, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REPLACE ORDINANCE 1996-21, TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS: Ordinance 1996-21 authorized the collection of a one mill voluntary tax on real and personal property, with one-half mill to support the Van Buren County Conservation District and one-half mill to support the Van Buren County Recycling Center; and

WHEREAS: The Van Buren County Recycling Center can function without the voluntary tax, and

WHEREAS: There is a need to repeal and replace the original ordinance to cease collection of the voluntary tax for the Van Buren County Recycling Center.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF VAN BUREN COUNTY, ARKANSAS, THAT:

1. Ordinance 1996-21 is hereby repealed and replaced as set forth herein.
2. There is hereby established a one-half mill Voluntary Tax on real and personal property of Van Buren County.
3. The Voluntary Revenue created by the Voluntary one-half mill tax shall be placed by the Van Buren County Treasurer in a special fund designated solely for the Van Buren County Conservation District budget as appropriated by the Van Buren County Quorum Court.
4. In preparing the tax statement, the Van Buren County Collector shall compute the one-half mill tax and the amount of the voluntary tax shall be listed as a separate item and added to the total bill only at the request of the taxpayer. For the 2024 taxes collected in 2025 and all following years thereafter, the tax statement will reflect a box to be checked by the taxpayer before the voluntary tax is added on.
5. Emergency Clause: It is imperative for county operations to continue smoothly, efficiently and effectively, therefore this ordinance being necessary for the protection and preservation

of public health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in force and shall take effect upon passage and publication.

Approved this 17th day of October, 2024.

Approved: _____

Dale James, County Judge

ATTEST: _____

Pam Bradford, County Clerk