ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

# AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF SISKIYOU

# REPEAL AND REPLACE SECTION 2-23.01 OF CHAPTER 23 OF TITLE 2

# OF THE SISKIYOU COUNTY CODE

# REGARDING COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SISKIYOU ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I (not codified): The Board of Supervisors of Siskiyou County finds that the California State Legislature repealed Business and Professionals Code Section 5081.1 in 2010, but failed to address Government Code Section 26945(b)’s cross-reference to this section, in which equivalency standards for the position of Auditor are set forth. As a consequence, there are currently no candidates deemed qualified to run for the position of Auditor-Controller in the upcoming June 2022 election. The Board wishes to enable the voters to have the opportunity to elect a candidate for the position of Auditor-Controller and, in order to expand the pool of candidates who may pursue that position through a write-in election, has concluded that repealing the restrictions contained in Government Code Section 26945 is in the best interest of the County. The starting date for write-in candidates to file papers to run for the upcoming election is April 11, 2022, but adoption of a regular ordinance to repeal these restrictions through regular Board meetings on April 5 and 19, of 2022 would delay its effective date until May 19, 2022, just before the cutoff date for write-in candidates to file on May 24, 2022. In order to maximize the pool of write-in candidates for this position, those considering a write-in candidacy need to know of the applicable requirements to run sooner, rather than later. Therefore, Siskiyou County is exercising the discretion granted in Government Code Section 26946 to repeal Siskiyou County Code, Title 2, Chapter 23, Section 2-23.01, which contains provisions of this article, Government Code Section 26945.

SECTION II. Siskiyou County Code, Title 2, Chapter 23, Section 2-23.01 is repealed in its entirety and hereby replaced and adopted to read as follows (codified):

Section 2-23.01. – Qualifications

Effective March 29, 2022, no person shall hereafter be elected or appointed to the office of County Auditor unless the person is a resident and registered voter of the county in which the duties of the office are to be exercised at the time Nomination Papers are issued.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 29th day of March, 2022 at a Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Brandon Criss, Chairman

Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

LAURA BYNUM, CLERK,

Board of Supervisors

By \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Deputy