Superintendent Term Contract

This Contract is entered into between the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of Marble Falls ISD (the "District") and Dr. Jeffrey Gasaway (the "Superintendent").

The Board and the Superintendent, for and in consideration for the terms stated in this Contract, hereby agree as follows:

- 1. **Term.** The Board agrees to employ the Superintendent on a twelve-month basis per school year, beginning March 29, 2023 and ending April 1, 2026. The Board and the Superintendent (the "Parties") may extend the term of this Contract by agreement.
- 2. **Certification.** The Superintendent agrees to maintain the required certification throughout the term of employment with the District. If the Superintendent's certification expires, is canceled, or is revoked, this Contract is void.
- 3. **Representations.** The Superintendent makes the following representations:
 - 3.1 **Beginning of Contract:** At the beginning of this Contract, and at any time during this Contract, the Superintendent specifically agrees to submit to a review of his or her national criminal history record information (NCHRI) if required by the District, TEA, or SBEC. The Superintendent understands that a criminal history record acceptable to the Board, at its sole discretion, is a condition precedent to this Contract.
 - 3.2 **During Contract:** The Superintendent also agrees that, during the term of this Contract, the Superintendent will notify the Board in writing of any arrest or of any indictment, conviction, no contest or guilty plea, or other adjudication of the Superintendent. The Superintendent agrees to provide such notification in writing within seven calendar days of the event or any shorter period specified in Board policy.
 - 3.3 **False Statements and Misrepresentations:** The Superintendent represents that any records or information provided in connection with his or her employment application are true and correct. Any false statements, misrepresentations, omissions of requested information, or fraud by the Superintendent in or concerning any required records or in the employment application may be grounds for termination or nonrenewal, as applicable.
- 4. **Duties.** The Superintendent shall be the educational leader and chief executive officer of the District. The Superintendent agrees to perform his or her duties as follows:

- 4.1 **Family:** The Board and Superintendent value family and place this as a top priority for the Superintendent. While there are many important components of the job, ensuring strong family bonds and placing emphasis on being visible and involved in the role of 'dad' and 'husband' supersede the others. We feel that this also translates to higher job performance and satisfaction, both directly and indirectly. The Superintendent will take time for his family and, when possible, prioritize family events/needs above less urgent appearances and interactions.
- 4.2 **Authority:** The Superintendent shall perform such duties and have such powers as may be prescribed by the law and the Board. The Board shall have the right to assign additional duties to the Superintendent and to make changes in responsibilities or work at any time during the contract term. All duties assigned by the Board shall be appropriate to and consistent with the professional role and responsibility of the Superintendent.
- 4.3 **Standard:** Except as otherwise permitted by this Contract, the Superintendent agrees to devote his or her full time and energy to the performance of his or her duties. The Superintendent shall perform his or her duties with reasonable care, skill, and diligence. The Superintendent shall comply with all Board directives, state and federal laws and rules, Board policy, and regulations as they exist or may hereafter be amended.
- 4.4 **Consultant Activities:** So long as the activities occur only during scheduled vacation time and are otherwise in accordance with Texas law, the Superintendent may serve as a consultant or engage in other outside activities for compensation or honoraria.
- 4.5 **Development of District Goals:** The Superintendent shall submit to the Board a preliminary list of goals for the District each year for the Board's consideration and adoption. The Superintendent and the Board shall then meet, and the Board shall approve or revise the list of goals. The Superintendent shall submit to the Board for its approval a plan to implement the goals. The Superintendent and the Board shall meet biannually to assess the goals and may adjust or revise the goals either by action of the Board or upon recommendation of the Superintendent and approval of the Board. The goals approved by the Board shall at all times be reduced to writing ("District Goals") and shall be among the criteria on which the Superintendent's performance is reviewed and evaluated. The Board agrees to work with and support the Superintendent in achieving the District Goals.
- 5. **Compensation.** The District shall pay the Superintendent an annual salary as follows:
 - 5.1 **Salary:** The District shall pay the Superintendent an annual salary of TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$200,000.00). The annual salary shall be paid to the Superintendent in equal monthly installments consistent

with the Board's policies.

- (a) Widespread Salary Reduction. If the Board implements a widespread salary reduction under Texas Education Code section 21.4023, the Superintendent's annual salary shall be reduced by the percent or fraction of a percent that is equal to the average percent or fraction of a percent by which teacher salaries have been reduced.
- (b) **Furlough.** If the Board implements a furlough under Texas Education Code section 21.4021, the Superintendent shall be furloughed for the same number of days as other contract personnel and the Superintendent's salary shall be reduced in proportion to the number of furlough days.
- 5.2. **Insurance:** The District shall pay the premiums for hospitalization and major medical insurance coverage for the Superintendent pursuant to the same group health care plan provided by the District for other school employees.
- 5.3 **Other Benefits:** The District shall provide benefits to the Superintendent as provided by state law and Board policies. The Board reserves the right to amend its policies at any time during the term of this Contract to reduce or increase these benefits, at the Board's sole discretion.
- 5.4 **Automobile/Automobile Expenses:** The District shall pay the Superintendent \$700 per month during the Superintendent's employment with the District to pay for a vehicle, insurance, repairs, maintenance, fuel and other expenses of operating a vehicle. The Superintendent shall maintain liability insurance for his car of not less than the amount of \$250,000/\$500,000/\$100,000. The Superintendent may be reimbursed for travel outside the District at the District's approved reimbursement rate for travel on District business.
- 5.5 **Civic Activities:** The Superintendent is encouraged to participate in community and civic affairs. The expense of these activities, subject to Board approval in advance, may be borne by the District.
- Superintendent's time, attention, and energy to the direction, administration, and supervision of the District. The Board, however, encourages the continued professional growth of the Superintendent through the Superintendent's active attendance and participation in appropriate professional meetings, seminars, conferences, or courses at the local, regional, state, and national level. In its encouragement of the Superintendent to grow professionally, the Board shall permit a reasonable amount of release time for the Superintendent as the Superintendent and the Board deem appropriate, to attend such meetings, seminars, conferences, or courses. The District does hereby agree to provide in the District's budget per contract year an amount to be used for registration, travel,

- meals, lodging, and other related expenses. The District shall pay for the Superintendent's membership dues to the Texas Association of School Administrators and one other professional organization selected by the Superintendent.
- 5.7 **Residence in District:** As a condition of employment with the Marble Falls Independent School District, the Superintendent shall reside within the geographic boundaries of the District at all times while employed by the District.
- Vacation, Holidays, and Leave Benefits: The Superintendent may take, at the Superintendent's choice, the same number of days of vacation authorized by policies adopted by the Board for administrative employees on twelve-month contracts, the days to be in a single period or at different times. The vacation days taken by the Superintendent will be taken at such time or times as will least interfere with the performance of the Superintendent's duties as set forth in this Contract. The Superintendent shall observe the same legal holidays provided by Board policies for administrative employees on twelve month-contracts. The Superintendent is hereby granted the same sick and personal leave benefits as authorized by Board policies for administrative employees on twelve-month contracts. The Superintendent may submit up to five (5) unused vacation days by June 30 of each school year to be paid at his current daily rate. Vacation days will not accrue from contract year to contract year.
- 5.9 **Texas Teacher Retirement System Salary Supplement.** The District shall continue to supplement the Superintendent's annual salary by an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Superintendent's portion of the monthly member contribution to the Texas Teacher Retirement System ("TRS"). This supplement shall include both the retirement and TRS-Care parts of the TRS member contribution, as applicable. This additional salary supplement shall be paid to the Superintendent in regular monthly payroll installments and shall be reported as "creditable compensation" by the District for purposes of TRS, to the extent permitted by TRS.
- 5.10 **Liability Insurance:** The District's Professional Liability insurance policy provides coverage for the Superintendent, as set forth in the policy, and this policy or one with similar coverage will be kept in full force and effect during the term of this Contract. The Superintendent shall fully cooperate with the District in the defense of any and all claims, demands, suits, actions and legal proceedings brought against the District, including matters arising after the term of this Contract expires but which relate to events occurring during the Superintendent's employment with the District.
- 6. **Suspension.** In accordance with Texas Education Code chapter 21, the Board may suspend the Superintendent without pay during the term of this Contract for good cause.

7. Termination and Nonrenewal of Contract.

- 7.1 **Termination of Contract:** Termination or nonrenewal of this contract, or resignation under this contract, will be pursuant to Texas Education Code chapter 21.
- 7.2 **Mutual Agreement:** This Contract may be terminated by the mutual agreement of the Superintendent and the Board in writing upon such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon.
- 7.3 **Retirement or Death:** This Contract shall be terminated upon the retirement or death of the Superintendent.
- 7.4 **Termination Procedure:** In the event that the Board terminates this Contract for "good cause," the Superintendent shall be afforded all the rights as set forth in the Board's policies and state and federal law.
- 7.5 **Resignation of Superintendent:** The Superintendent may leave the employment of the District at the end of a school year without penalty by filing a written resignation with the Board. The resignation must be addressed to the Board and filed not later than the 45th day before the first day of instruction of the following year. The Superintendent may resign with the consent of the Board at any other time.

8. General Provisions.

- 8.1 **Amendment:** This Contract may not be amended except by written agreement of the Parties.
- 8.2 **Severability:** If any provision in this Contract is, for any reason, held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision of the Contract. This Contract shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been a part of the Contract.
- 8.3 **Entire Agreement:** All existing agreements and contracts, both verbal and written, between the Parties regarding the employment of the Superintendent are superseded by this Contract. This Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties.
- 8.4 **Applicable Law and Venue:** Texas law shall govern construction of this Contract. The Parties agree that venue for any litigation relating to the Superintendent's employment with the District, including this Contract, shall be the county in which the District's administration building is located. If litigation is brought in federal court, the Parties agree that venue shall be the federal district

and division in which the district's administration building is located.

- 8.5 **Paragraph Headings:** The headings used at the beginning of each numbered paragraph in this Contract are not intended to have any legal effect; the headings do not limit or expand the meaning of the paragraphs that follow them.
- 8.6 **Legal Representation:** Both Parties have been represented by legal counsel of their choice, or have had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel, in the negotiation and execution of this Contract.

9. Notices.

- 9.1 **To Superintendent:** The Superintendent agrees to keep a current address on file with the District's human resources office and the Board President. The Superintendent agrees that the Board may meet any legal obligation it has to give the Superintendent written notice regarding this Contract or the Superintendent's employment by hand-delivery, or by certified mail, regular mail, and/or express delivery service to the Superintendent's address of record.
- 9.2 **To Board:** The Board agrees that the Superintendent may meet any legal obligation to give the Board written notice regarding this Contract or the Superintendent's employment by providing one copy of the notice to the President of the Board and one copy to the Vice President of the Board. The Superintendent may provide such notices by hand delivery, or by certified mail, regular mail, and/or express delivery service, to the Board President and Vice President's addresses of record, as provided to the District.

I have read this Contract and agree to abide by its terms and conditions:

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Superintendent:
Date signed: 3/28/23
By:
President, Board of Trustees
Date signed: 3/28/2025