BILL NO. 2729

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELLEFONTAINE NEIGHBORS, MISSOURI, ADDING PROPOSITION 1 TO THE NOVEMBER 4, 2025 BALLOT ALLOWING FOR THE IMPOSITION OF A LOCAL AND ADDITIONAL SALES TAX OF 3% ON THE RETAIL SALE OF ADULT USE MARIJUANA.

WHEREAS, "Recreational Marijuana Dispensaries" are licensed and regulated by the State of Missouri, Missouri Constitution, applicable statutes enacted by the General Assembly, and regulations promulgated by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, and the purpose of this Ordinance is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents, businesses, and property owners in the City;

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2022, Missouri Voters passed Amendment 3, amending the Missouri Constitution legalizing recreational marijuana;

WHEREAS, Amendment 3 allows for recreational marijuana use for individuals over the age of 21. The Amendment allows individuals over the age of 21 to purchase and possess up to three (3) ounces of marijuana, without any other restrictions. Further, it allows for individuals to grow up to six (6) flowering marijuana plants, six (6) nonflowering marijuana plants, and six (6) clones, provided the individual is registered with the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services for cultivation of marijuana plants;

WHEREAS, the State of Missouri imposes a 6% sales tax for the recreational sale of adult use marijuana and municipalities may impose an additional 3% sales tax for the recreational sale of adult use marijuana.

NOW THERE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERPERSONS OF THE CITY OF BELLEFTONTAINE NEIGHBORS, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The following language shall be placed on the November 2, 2025 election ballot as Proposition 1 for city voters:

PROPOSITION 1

Shall the municipality of Bellefontaine Neighbors, Missouri impose an additional sales tax of

three percent (3%) on the retail sale of adult use marijuana?

□ YES \square NO

If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "NO".

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Board of Alderpersons and Approval by the Mayor.

Passed and Approved this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Mayor **James Thomas**

Attest:

City Clerk Denise Johnson