ORDINANCE NO. 2025-3

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR RECERTIFYING COUNCIL DISTRICTS

WHEREAS, the City of Portland, Indiana (Portland) is third-class city and the Common Council for the City of Portland ("Council") is its legislative body;

WHEREAS, the Council is composed of seven members, five of which are elected from districts established in Section 30.31 of the City of Portland Code of Ordinances and two at-large members;

WHEREAS; I.C. 36-4-6-4 requires third class cities to update district boundaries or recertify districts every ten years, in the second year after a decennial census is conducted;

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly extended the deadline for such redistricting or recertification to June 30, 2025 due to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, the Council has determined that the existing map of district boundaries is (1) composed of contiguous territory, except for territory that is not contiguous to any other part of the City, (2) is reasonably compact, (3) does not cross precinct boundary lines to the extent that it may be necessary for such boundaries may cross precinct lines to equalize the population of the district, and (4) contains, as nearly as possible, equal population.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, INDIANA as follows:

- 1. The Council proposes to recertify the existing Council district boundary map that takes into account the factors outlined in I.C. 36-4-6-4 and related authorities, complies with such factors, and that provides for fair and effective representation of constituents through its elected members.
- 2. The Clerk-treasurer shall ensure that a copy of this Ordinance and the existing boundary map are filed with the Clerk of Jay County, Indiana not later than thirty days after this Ordinance is adopted.
- 3. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after this date.

PASSED AND ADOPTED	by the Common	Council of the	City of Portland,	Indiana on
this 19th day of May, 2025.				

Attest:	Jeff Westlake, Presiding Officer		
Lori Phillips, Clerk-Treasurer	-		

Submitted to and approve date of adoption.	d by me on the	
Jeff Westlake, Mayor	8	e