**CAUSE NO. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

STATE OF TEXAS § IN THE JUSTICE COURT

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v. § PRECINCT \_\_\_\_

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Defendant § \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY, TEXAS

**NOTICE OF APPEAL BOND AMOUNT WHEN DEFENDANT APPEARS BY MAIL ONLY**

The court **FINDS** Defendant appeared by mail *(in accordance with Code of Criminal Procedure Article 27.14(b))* and entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere. The court assesses a fine in the amount of $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and imposes court costs in the amount of $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. If Defendant wishes to appeal, the bond amount is $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The fine/costs or appeal bond shall be paid before the 31st day after the defendant receives this notice. ***Contact the court immediately if you are unable to pay the fine and costs in this case.***

**NOTICE OF ALTERNATIVES TO PAYMENT OF FINE AND COSTS**: A defendant who is convicted of a criminal offense punishable by fine only is entitled to alternative methods of satisfying the judgment against them if they are unable to pay the fine or costs, in whole or in part, including:

* A payment plan, allowing the defendant to make payments toward the fine and costs in designated intervals. *(Note that if any amount is paid more than 30 days after the judgment assessing the fine or costs then the defendant must be charged a $15 time payment reimbursement fee.)*
* Disposition of the amount assessed by performing community service. There are many options that meet the requirements of the law for community service, see Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 45.049 for full details. A defendant is entitled to a minimum of $100 credit for every 8 hours of community service performed.
* If performing community service imposes an undue hardship, a defendant who is indigent or who lacks sufficient resources to pay may be entitled to a waiver of the fine and costs, in whole or in part.

**ISSUED AND SIGNED** on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_**.**

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JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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