## PROVISIONAL STATE AND LOCAL TASK FORCE AGREEMENT

This agreement is made this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 2022, between the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (hereinafter "DEA"), and the Webb County Constable Precinct 4 (hereinafter "parent agency"), ORI Number TX2400400. The DEA is authorized to enter into this cooperative agreement concerning the use and abuse of controlled substances under the provisions of 21 U.S.C. § 873.

Whereas there is evidence that trafficking in narcotics and dangerous drugs exists in the Laredo, Texas, area and that such illegal activity has a substantial and detrimental effect on the health and general welfare of the people of Texas, the parties hereto agree to the following:

- 1. The Laredo Task Force will perform the activities and duties described below:
  - a. disrupt the illicit drug traffic in the area by immobilizing targeted violators and trafficking organizations;
  - b. gather and report intelligence data relating to trafficking in narcotics and dangerous drugs; and
  - c. conduct undercover operations where appropriate and engage in other traditional methods of investigation in order that the Task Force's activities will result in effective prosecution before the courts of the United States and the State of Texas.
- 2. To accomplish the objectives of the Laredo Task Force, the parent agency agrees to detail one experienced officer(s) to the Laredo Task Force for a period of not less than two years. During this period of assignment, the parent agency officer(s) will be under the direct supervision and control of DEA supervisory personnel assigned to the Task Force.
- 3. The parent agency officer(s) assigned to the Task Force shall adhere to DEA policies and procedures. Failure to adhere to DEA policies and procedures shall be grounds for dismissal from the Task Force.
- 4. The parent agency officer(s) assigned to the Task Force shall be deputized as Task Force Officer(s) of DEA pursuant to 21 U.S.C. Section 878.
- 5. To accomplish the objectives of the Laredo Task Force, DEA will assign 42 Special Agents to the Task Force. DEA will also, subject to the availability of annually appropriated funds or any continuing resolution thereof, provide necessary funds and equipment to support the activities of the DEA Special Agents and parent agency officer(s) assigned to the Task Force. This support will include: office space, office supplies, travel funds, funds for the purchase of evidence and information, investigative equipment, training, and other support items. The parent agency agrees to provide and maintain a vehicle for use for each of its assigned Task Force Officer(s). DEA will only be responsible for the fuel costs and will not be responsible for routine maintenance or repairs of the parent agency vehicle. Accidents involving all vehicles while in use for Task Force purposes

shall be reported and investigated in accordance with the procedures of DEA and the parent agency.

- 6. The parent agency shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to the regulations of the United States Department of Justice implementing those laws, 28 C.F.R. Part 42, Subparts C, F, G, H and I.
- 7. The term of this agreement shall be effective from the date in paragraph number one until September 30, 2026. This agreement may be terminated by either party on thirty days' advance written notice. DEA's support to the Task Force is subject to the availability of funds on a fiscal year basis (October 1 through September 30 of the next year). Billing for all outstanding obligations must be received by DEA within 60 days of the end of each fiscal year or within 60 days of the date of termination of this agreement. DEA will be responsible only for obligations incurred during the term of this agreement.

For the Drug Enforcement Administration:

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Special Agent in Charge

Date: 10-26-2022

For the Webb County Constable Precinct 4:

Harold Devally

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Date