WHEREAS, the 89th Session of the Texas Legislature will convene in January 2025; and

WHEREAS, many legislative issues affecting local government will be considered; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas has historically adopted a legislative program for consideration by the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs was briefed on December 11, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs was briefed on May 28, 2024.

WHEREAS, the Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs was briefed on August 27, 2024.

WHEREAS, the City Council was briefed on September 18, 2024.

Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the City of Dallas Legislative Program for the 89th Session of the Texas Legislature is hereby adopted.

SECTION 2. That the City Attorney is directed to communicate the items included in the state legislative program to members of the Texas Legislature.

SECTION 3. That the City Attorney is directed to support legislation that upholds the City of Dallas' home-rule authority, as well as oppose legislation that diminishes resources or home-rule authority.

SECTION 4. That for those issues that arise during or prior to the Session for which there is no official City position and there is insufficient time to convene a meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs or the City Council, the Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs is authorized to represent and protect the interests of the City.

SECTION 5. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.