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IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

CITY OF VIDOR

}

VS.

ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS

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PLEA OF NOT GUILTY

I, _____, do hereby enter my appearance on the complaint of the offense, to-wit: _____, charged in the Vidor Municipal Court. I plead **NOT GUILTY**. I understand that I have a constitutional right to a jury trial unless I waive that right and request a trial by Judge. I understand I will be set for a pre-trial hearing prior to trial.

☐ I request a trial by jury. **(CHOOSE ONE)** **OR** ☐ I **WAIVE** my right to a jury trial and request a bench trial.

(READ ALL STATEMENTS BELOW AND CHECK EACH BOX)

- ☐ I understand that my appearance at the pre-trial hearing is mandatory and a summons will be mailed to me.
- ☐ I understand that failure to appear will result in the issuance of a failure to appear violation, additional fines/fees, and warrants for my arrest.
- ☐ I understand that I have the right to hire an attorney to represent me. I also understand that I **do not** have the right to a court appointed attorney. I understand that if I choose to represent myself, the court is not required to give me any special treatment.
- ☐ I understand that any motion for continuance **must** be filed in writing no later than ten days prior to my pre-trial or trial setting, and there is no guarantee the motion will be granted.
- ☐ I understand that it is my responsibility to inform the court of any address change in writing.
- ☐ I understand that I have the right to have a foreign language interpreter or American Sign Language (ASL) interpreter appointed for me if requested. ***If you are requesting an interpreter, please check the box and fill in the type of interpreter needed.***

_____ I **DO** need an interpreter appointed for me by the Court.

Type of interpreter requested: _____.

- ☐ I understand that I **must** be prepared to present any pre-trial motions I wish to present at the pre-trial hearing.
- ☐ I understand that if I am convicted after a trial by jury, I must pay a \$3.00 jury fee in addition to all other fines and costs.
- ☐ I understand that I have the option to view all documents in my case, excluding those documents ordered withheld by a Court of proper jurisdiction.

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE #: _____ CELL PHONE #: _____

DRESS CODE IS STRICTLY ENFORCED! DRESS CODE IS POSTED IN THE LOBBY & ONLINE.
CHECK IN WITH THE CLERK IN THE COURT LOBBY BEFORE PROCEEDING TO THE COURTROOM.

Signed this the _____ day of _____, 20_____.



Defendant Signature