

RESOLUTION 2007-11

**RESOLUTION TO REMOVE THE LAW ENFORCEMENT POWERS OF
THE OFFICE OF CONSTABLE IN WEAKLEY COUNTY**

WHEREAS, improvements have been made over many years in the capability, professionalism and efficiency of the office of sheriff, particularly regarding law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Weakley County Government is responsible to defend any lawsuits and pay any judgments incurred as a result of actions of these officials which could result in enormous expense of insurance costs; and

WHEREAS, the lack of required training in law enforcement and the independence of constables from the sheriff has made the exercise of law enforcement (conservator of the peace) powers by constables undesirable in Weakley County; and

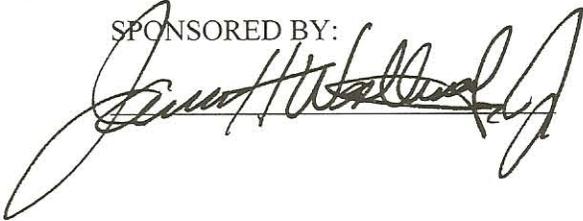
WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee through the enactment of Chapter 344 of the Public Acts of 1997 has authorized the county legislative body to remove the law enforcement (conservator of the peace) powers of the office of constable in our county upon two-thirds (2/3) majority vote in two consecutive meetings.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the county legislative body of Weakley County, Tennessee meeting in regular session at Dresden, Tennessee that the law enforcement (conservator of the peace) powers of the office of constable in Weakley County, Tennessee are hereby removed at the end of the last day of the month in which this resolution is adopted at second reading.

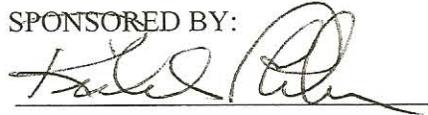
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the county clerk shall send a copy of this resolution to the current holders of the office of constable and to the sheriff in Weakley County.

Adopted at first reading by two-thirds (2/3) vote this 18th day of September, 2006.

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ACKNOWLEDGED AND APPROVED:

Chairman, Public Safety Committee

Motion made by _____ that the foregoing resolution be adopted:

Motion seconded by _____.

Upon being put to a roll call vote, Motion _____ by a vote of _____ Yeas, _____ Nays,
_____ Passed and _____ Absent.

ATTESTED:

APPROVED:

Pat Scarbrough, County Clerk

Richard Phebus, Chairman

THIS THE 18th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2006.

APPROVED:

VETOED:

Houston W. Patrick, County Mayor

Houston W. Patrick, County Mayor

DATE: _____

DATE: _____

Adopted at second reading by two-thirds (2/3) vote this 20th day of November, 2006.

Motion made by _____ that the foregoing resolution be adopted:

Motion seconded by _____.

Upon being put to a roll call vote, Motion _____ by a vote of _____ Yeas, _____ Nays,
_____ Passed and _____ Absent.

ATTESTED:

APPROVED:

Pat Scarbrough, County Clerk

Richard Phebus, Chairman

THIS THE 20th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2006.

APPROVED:

VETOED:

Houston W. Patrick, County Mayor

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DATE: _____

DATE: _____