RESOLUTION NO. 2026-44

A RESOLUTION OF THE WEAKLEY COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY APPROVING HOUSE BILL 2627 / SENATE BILL 2689, A PRIVATE ACT RELATING TO THE WEAKLEY COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND THE ELECTION OF THE COUNTY HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly has passed House Bill 2627 / Senate Bill 2689, an act to amend the private acts of Weakley County relative to the county highway department; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 2627 / Senate Bill 2689 creates the office of County Highway Supervisor for Weakley County, Tennessee, for the purpose of providing an efficient system of roads, highways, and bridges, and for the building, construction, reconstruction, maintenance, and repair of roads, highways, and bridges in Weakley County; and

WHEREAS, the act provides that the County Highway Supervisor shall be deemed to be the chief administrative officer of the highway department, which builds and maintains the roads of the county in accordance with the County Uniform Highway Law, codified at Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 7, Parts 1 and 2, as amended from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the act further provides that the County Highway Supervisor in office on the effective date of the act shall continue to serve until the expiration of the supervisor's term; and

WHEREAS, beginning at the August election in 2026, and every four years thereafter, the County Highway Supervisor shall be elected by a majority of the qualified voters of Weakley County; and

WHEREAS, the act provides that the County Highway Supervisor shall receive a salary as provided under general law; and

WHEREAS, the act establishes qualifications for the office of County Highway Supervisor, including residency, age, education, engineering licensure or experience, supervisory experience, or an equivalent combination of education and experience, with no person eligible to serve with less than a high school education or general equivalency diploma; and

WHEREAS, Section 4 of House Bill 2627 / Senate Bill 2689 provides that the act has no effect unless approved by a two-thirds vote of the legislative body of Weakley County; and

WHEREAS, Section 4 further provides that the approval or nonapproval of the act must be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the Tennessee Secretary of State; and

WHEREAS, the Weakley County Legislative Body desires to approve and ratify House Bill 2627 / Senate Bill 2689 in accordance with the terms of the act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Weakley County Legislative Body, meeting in regular session at Weakley County, Tennessee, on this 14th day of May, 2026, that:

Section 1. Approval of Private Act

The Weakley County Legislative Body hereby approves and ratifies House Bill 2627 / Senate Bill 2689, being the private act passed by the Tennessee General Assembly relative to the Weakley County Highway Department and the office of County Highway Supervisor.

Section 2. Recognition of Office and Method of Election

The Weakley County Legislative Body recognizes that, upon the act becoming effective as provided therein, the office of County Highway Supervisor is created and shall be deemed to be the chief administrative officer of the Weakley County Highway Department.

Beginning at the August election in 2026, and every four years thereafter, the County Highway Supervisor shall be elected by a majority of the qualified voters of Weakley County, in accordance with the act.

Section 3. Current Officeholder

The County Highway Supervisor in office on the effective date of the act shall continue to serve until the expiration of the supervisor's current term, as provided in the act.

Section 4. Qualifications

The qualifications for the office of County Highway Supervisor shall be those set forth in House Bill 2627 / Senate Bill 2689 and applicable general law.

Section 5. Proclamation and Certification

The Commission Chair, as presiding officer of the Weakley County Legislative Body, is hereby authorized and directed to proclaim the approval of House Bill 2627 / Senate Bill 2689 and to certify this approval, together with the vote by which this resolution was adopted, to the Tennessee Secretary of State.

Section 6. Effective Date

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Adopted this 14th day of May, 2026.

Aye: 16 No: 0 Absent: 2 Abstaining: 0 Total Members: 18

CERTIFICATION OF APPROVAL

I, Kim Hughey, County Clerk of Weakley County, Tennessee, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Weakley County Legislative Body at a regular meeting held on the 14th day of May, 2026, *by a vote of* 16 ayes, 0 noes, 2 absent, and 0 abstaining.

I further certify that said vote constitutes approval by a two-thirds vote of the Weakley County Legislative Body as required by House Bill 2627 / Senate Bill 2689.

Witness my hand and seal this 14th day of May, 2026.

Kim Hughey

Kim Hughey, Weakley County Clerk

PROCLAMATION OF PRESIDING OFFICER

Pursuant to Section 4 of House Bill 2627 / Senate Bill 2689, I, Dennis Doster, Chair of the County Legislative Body of Weakley County, Tennessee, and presiding officer of the Weakley County Legislative Body, do hereby proclaim that House Bill 2627 / Senate Bill 2689 was approved by a two-thirds vote of the Weakley County Legislative Body on the 14th day of May, 2026.

This proclamation, together with the certification of the Weakley County Clerk, shall be transmitted to the Tennessee Secretary of State.

Proclaimed this 14th day of May, 2026.

Dennis Doster, Chair, Weakley County Legislative Body
Presiding Officer of the Weakley County Legislative Body

PURSUANT TO THE RULES OF THE COMMISSION, THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE WEAKLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

SPONSORED BY:

SPONSORED BY:

Chairperson, Public Works, Committee

ATTESTED:

APPROVED:

Kim Hughey, County Clerk

Dennis Foster, Chairman

This the 14th day of May 2026.

APPROVED:

VETOED:

Dale Hutcherson, County Mayor

Date: 5-14-26

Dale Hutcherson, County Mayor

Date:

ROLL CALL VOTE
WEAKLEY COUNTY COMMISSION
KIM HUGHEY, COUNTY CLERK
DRESDEN, TENNESSEE

Commissioner Hopper made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2026-44 a resolution of the Weakley County Legislative Body approving House Bill 2627/Senate Bill 2689, a Private Act relating to the Weakley County Highway Department and the election of the County Highway Supervisor. Motion seconded by Commissioner Freeman.

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NO	ABSENT	PASS
DENNIS DOSTER			X			
BOBBY DUNLAP			X			
MARCUS HOPPER	X		X			
WADE COOK			X			
JAMES ROY POPE					X	
GREG USERY			X			
GARY EDDINGS			X			
JOHN ROBERT FREEMAN		X	X			
LARRY TAYLOR					X	
DAVID MOORE			X			
DAVID BELL			X			
JOEY MEHLHORN			X			
DAVID HAWKS			X			
BILLY HAZLEWOOD			X			
ROGER DONALDSON			X			
JACK VINCENT			X			
JAMES WASHBURN			X			
JAMES WESTBROOK			X			
TOTAL			16		2	

RESOLUTION PASSED

DATE: MAY 14, 2026