RESOLUTION NO. 1997-50

RESOLUTION REQUESTING INVESTIGATION INTO FAILURE TO CARRY OUT THE DEATH PENALTY IN MURDER OF CARY ANN MEDLIN

WHEREAS, eight-year-old Cary Ann Medlin was murdered in Greenfield, Tennessee on September 1, 1979, and;

WHEREAS, Robert Glenn Coe was convicted of the first-degree murder of Cary Ann Medlin and sentenced to death on May 4, 1981; and

WHEREAS, Federal District Judge John Nixon has granted Robert Glenn Coe a new trial and has refused to impose the death penalty to which he was sentenced;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Clerk of the Weakley County Board of County Commissioners shall be directed to write a letter to the United States House Judiciary Committee, the United States Senate Judiciary Committee, Vice President Al Gore, Senator Fred Thompson; Senator Bill Frist; Representative John Tanner and Representative Ed Bryant to request a formal investigation of Judge John Nixon's failure to carry out the death penalty as set forth in the laws of this land in the case of Robert Glenn Coe as well as other capital cases.

PURSUANT TO THE RULES OF THE WEAKLY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, THIS RESOLUTION IS SPONSORED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE WEAKLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN

ACKNOWLEDGED AND APPROVED:

Motion made by <u>Carmissioner Stewart</u> that the foregoing resolution be adopted: Motion seconded by <u>Carmissioner Cardle</u>. Upon being put to a voice vote, same

Motion carried

Passed and approved the 21st day of January, 1997.

Attested:

Pat Scarbrough, County Clerk

Approved:

Ron Gifford, County Executive