

RESOLUTION 1973-6

April 9, 1973

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND 1972-73 BUDGET

WHEREAS, The Federal Government having changed regulations governing the funding of Day Care Centers for the Mentally Retarded and physically handicapped Children,

AND, WHEREAS, Due to the change in these regulations, the Day Care Center on the campus of the University of Tennessee at Martin, Martin, Tennessee, will not be able to operate through this school year without local funding.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Weakley County Quarterly Court at its April ter, that the 1972-73 Budget be amended from unappropriated surplus the amount of \$1,500.00. This amount to be used to supplement the cost of operating the Day Care Center for the mentally retarded and physically handicapped children at the University of Tennessee at Martin campus through August 31, 1973.

CONTINUED/S/ Tom D. Copeland
/S/ Clyde B. Miles

RESOLUTION 1973-6 (CONTINUED)

Motion was made by Esq. John Harris and seconded by Esq. Wesley Perkins that the foregoing resolution be adopted by the Court. Upon being put to a roll call vote, the following magistrates voted AYE: 21 MAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

RESOLUTION 1973-7

RESOLUTION OF THE QUARTERLY COUNTY COURT OF WEAKLEY COUNTY URGING SUPPORT OF THE PROPERTY TAX STABILIZATION ACT OF 1973

WHEREAS, property tax rates in Tennessee have gone up 40% in the past five years, resulting in a property taxpayers revolt and a demand for relief; and,

WHEREAS, THE yearly cost of all Tennessee county and city government increased from \$749 million in 1966 to \$1,309 million in 1971; and,

WHEREAS, the Local Property Tax Stabilization Act of 1973 would mean \$8.00 per capita in new money for each county government and \$5.00 per capita for each municipal government; and,

WHEREAS, the Local Property Tax Stabilization Act of 1973 would mean \$230,665 in new money for Weakley County and \$79,938 in additional new money for the cities of this county; and,

WHEREAS, local governments are being required by State law to finance programs initiated by the General Assembly and local governments will be further required to increase revenues to finance programs heretofore financed by the Federal Government because of the cutbacks in federal programs ordered by the President; and

WHEREAS, the property tax is the major source of revenue available to local governments and local governing bodies have no choice except to turn to the property tax when additional revenues are required thus increasing the property tax burden on the average citizen; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee enjoys a surplus in excess of \$100 million and an annual excess revenue of \$141 million; and,

WHEREAS, the Local Property Tax Stabilization Act of 1973, by returning a small portion of the sales and gasoline taxes to the counties and cities where it was collected would relieve the crushing burden of property taxes on the homeowner, farmer, businessman and wage earner; and,

WHEREAS, the Local Property Tax Stabilization Act of 1973 has bipartisan sponsorship and support in both houses of the General Assembly,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUARTERLY COUNTY COURT OF WEAKLEY COUNTY AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That all the members of the General Assembly representing the people of this county be urged to give full and unqualified support to the Local Property Tax Stabilization Act of 1973.

SECTION 2. That the County Judge is hereby directed to cooperate with, and to assist, the Tennessee County Services Association in its efforts to have this legislation enacted into law, it being the opinion of the Court that the passage of the Property Tax Stabilization Act of 1973 is vital to the interests of the people of this county.

SECTION 3. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all members of the General Assembly representing this county and that a copy be forwarded to each newspaper and radio station in the county.

Motion was made by Esq. R. A. Bell and seconded by Johnny Tharpe that the foregoing resolution not be adopted by the Court. Upon being put to a rollcall vote, AYE: 6; MAY 15; ABSENT 0: