

RESOLUTION NO. 26-08-031

Sponsored by: Commissioners Mike Akard, Jared Anderson, Robbie Bennett, Dyran Bledsoe, Brad Bowers, Nick Bright, Quentin Caldwell, Rick Carver, Mike Caylor, Misty Davis, Ron French, John Giles, Jessica Hannah, Jeff Jopling, Scott King, Staci Martin, Earl McMahan, Dawn Reagan, Linda Webb, and David Wells

**A PROCLAMATION HONORING STEVE MIKELS FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO
THE CITIZENS OF BLOUNT COUNTY, TENNESSEE**

BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Board of Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee, in regular session assembled this ____ day of _____, 2026:

WHEREAS, Steve Mikels began his tenure as the Blount County Commissioner for the Ninth (9) Commission District - Seat B on September 1, 2018, having been reelected by district citizens in 2022, marking a total of eight years of dedicated public service to Blount County citizens; and

WHEREAS, while serving as Blount County Commissioner, Steve Mikels has contributed generously and earnestly of his time, endeavoring to help the citizens in his district, as well as all citizens of Blount County, by giving support for the implementation of policies which have resulted in a more stable financial status, and the continuance of a low annual property tax rate, the approval of a partnership between Blount Memorial Hospital (BMH) and Prisma Health, passage of a resolution (No. 25-10-014) for a contingency plan to use local/state funds to keep the Great Smoky Mountains National Park operational during a federal government shutdown, establishing a coordinating committee for Blount County's celebration efforts to honor the 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, maintaining an outstanding animal control program, while giving support of many educational requests and projects, including several which were in his district; and

WHEREAS, during his term in office, Steve Mikels has served on the Board of Commissioners, Commission Agenda/Workshop Committee (Vice Chair), Ad Hoc Committee to Review Board of Commissioners Rules, Agriculture Extension Committee, Beer Board (Chair), Education Committee, Planning Commission, Veterans Affairs Committee, Commission Rules Committee, Finance Committee, Human Resources Committee, and Insurance Committee; and

WHEREAS, Steve Mikels, while serving as County Commissioner, has faithfully served and advocated for all Blount County taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, Blount County sincerely appreciates the many contributions given by Steve Mikels in selfless service to the citizens of Blount County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Blount County Legislative Body, assembled in regular session this ____ day of _____, 2026, that the dedicated public service of Steve Mikels to the citizens of Blount County, Tennessee, is sincerely appreciated and is hereby honored and recognized.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that this proclamation shall be made a part of the official records of the Board of Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee.

CERTIFICATION OF ACTION

ATTEST

Commission Chairman

County Clerk

County Mayor

Date

- ☐ Approved
- ☐ Vetoed