

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONERS \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING / CHALLENGING BLOUNT COUNTY TO RAISE THEIR EDUCATION FUNDING TO  
THE STATE OF TENNESSEE AVERAGE AND INCLUDE PREVENTATIVE OPIOID ADDICTION TRAINING**

**WHEREAS**, our country and county were founded on the belief that “uneducated and free never was nor will be”; and

**WHEREAS**, Blount County continues to fund our schools below the state average while at the same time continuously growing our Fund Balance; and

**WHEREAS**, the opioid addiction is rising in Tennessee and at an even higher rate in Blount County; and

**WHEREAS**, science has proven the cheapest and most successful tool in addiction prevention is education; and

**WHEREAS**, a recent study identified that adults and high school students believe that county educated students cannot expect equal job opportunities as city educated students.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that we urge and challenge Blount County to create a budget that raises our spending to Tennessee’s State Average and/or include \$50,000 to combat our ever-increasing opioid addiction.

Duly authorized and approved this \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2021.

**CERTIFICATION OF ACTION**

**ATTEST**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Commission Chairman

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County Clerk

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_

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County Mayor

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Date