

RESOLUTION NO. 17-03-012

Sponsored by Commissioners Grady Caskey, Brad Bowers, Andy Allen, David Bennett, Shawn Carter, Rick Carver, Mike Caylor, Dodd Crowe, Gary Farmer, Ron French, Mike Lewis, Kenneth Melton, Jerome Moon, Steve Samples, and Tom Stinnett

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE COUNTY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICE (CTAS), AN ENTITY CREATED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AS PART OF THE INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC SERVICE TO PROVIDE INVALUABLE TECHNICAL, CONSULTATIVE, AND FIELD SERVICES TO COUNTIES OF THE STATE.

WHEREAS, a county technical assistance service provides studies and research, publications, educational conferences, technical assistance, services to address problems related to fiscal administration, accounting, tax assessment and collection, law enforcement, public works, and in all matters related to county government, and

WHEREAS, the county technical assistance service operates in cooperation with and with the advice of counties acting through the Tennessee County Services Association which is recognized as their official agency or instrumentality, and

WHEREAS, the Blount County Legislative body finds it to be in the best interest of Blount County citizens to ensure elected officials have access to up to date, relative, fact based information upon which to base its decisions, and

WHEREAS, the Blount County Legislative Body believe elimination of the County Technical Advisory Service would have a deleterious effect upon the quality of public service elected officials provide citizens; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Blount County Legislative Body, meeting this 16th day of March, 2017, that the Blount County Legislative Body does hereby call upon State Representative Bob Ramsey, State Representative Art Swann, and State Senator Doug Overbey to FULLY SUPPORT the County Technical Assistance Service by

STRONGLY OPPOSING House Bill 1181 and Senate Bill 1326 that would apply sunset provisions to the County Technical Assistance Service thereby removing a necessary tool all county governments depend upon.

Adopted this 16th day of March, 2017.

CERTIFICATION OF ACTION:

ATTEST:

Commission Chairman

County Clerk

Approved: _____

Vetoed: _____

County Mayor

Date