

**RESOLUTION No. 17-12-012**

**Sponsored by Commissioners Gary Farmer and Ron French**

**THIS RESOLUTION IS INTRODUCED IN THE MEMORY  
OF THE LATE COMMISSIONER RICHARD WILLIAMS, JR.**

**A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW SAFE PASSAGE IN BLOUNT COUNTY,  
TENNESSEE FOR A CERTAIN VISITOR FROM THE NORTH POLE.**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee, in session assembled this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2017:

**WHEREAS**, runways at the McGhee Tyson Airport have been extended, and the Superintendent of Highways has worked with the Tennessee Department of Transportation on facilitating a safe landing pad in Blount County; and

**WHEREAS**, the inspection of Santa's sleigh has revealed that the sleigh, while old, is in remarkable condition, and by recommending the proper diet and exercise throughout the year, the veterinarians of Blount County have given a clean bill of health to eight tiny reindeer; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Department deputies are willing to give their time and effort to protect travel on December 24, and the physicians in the county have examined this portly old gentleman from the North Pole and found him in the best of health.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BLOUNT COUNTY, TENNESSEE** that this portly old gentleman be extended all the rights, courtesies, and privileges to travel throughout this county to deliver gifts, good will, charity, happiness, and a jolly ho-ho-ho to all Blount Countians; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a point in time be called from December 24 at 6:00 pm to December 25 at 6:00 am and that the Blount County Legislative Body wishes all a Merry, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution shall become a part of the official records of the Board of County Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee.

**CERTIFICATION OF ACTION**

**ATTEST**

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Jerome Moon - Commission Chairman

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Gaye Hasty - County Clerk

Approved: \_\_\_\_

Vetoed: \_\_\_\_

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Ed Mitchell - County Mayor

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Date