

RESOLUTION NO. 19-08-010

Sponsored by: Commissioners Rick Carver/Tom Stinnett

**A RESOLUTION FROM THE CARES COMMITTEE TO THE COMMISSION TO
ADOPT THE MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADDRESS JAIL OVERCROWDING AND THE
TRANSITION CENTER**

WHEREAS, Blount County CARES Committee, in a rescheduled session on July 18, 2019 met and heard Mayor Ed Mitchell's report and recommendation on "The 3 Phase Approach to Moving Forward" in addressing jail overcrowding and a transition center, and

WHEREAS, Blount County CARES Committee, in a Public Town Hall Meeting on July 22, 2019 at First United Methodist Church met to address the Mayor's report and recommendations on the 3 Phase Approach in a public forum, in which questions were submitted in writing in advance, questions and comments were posed at the meeting, and committee members and subject matter experts responded accordingly to members of the community.

WHEREAS, Blount County CARES Committee met in special session on August 6, 2019 to take action on the Mayor's recommendation, the CARES Committee requests to adopt the Mayor's recommendation presented at the CARES Committee meeting on July 18, 2019 and forward to the full commission, to include the appropriate action by the Budget Committee. These items would include

- 1) property acquisition and all associated costs,
- 2) professional fees to assess space needs for jail beds and programming, and
- 3) professional fees to assess road extension costs to access property

WHEREAS, it is deemed to be in the best interest of Blount County, to adopt the recommendation as requested.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee assembled in special session this 20th day of August, 2019 that the CARES Committee request to adopt the Mayor's recommendation and all associated Budget Committee action be approved.

Duly authorized and approved this 20th day of August, 2019.

CERTIFICATION OF ACTION ATTEST

Commission Chairman

County Clerk

Approved: ____

Vetoed: ____

County Mayor

Date