

RESOLUTION

REAFFIRMING JAMES CITY COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE CONSTITUTIONS

OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

WHEREAS, the structures and limitations of government are expressed in the Constitution of the United States of America (the "U.S. Constitution") and the Virginia Constitution, and amendments thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia (the "Board") has only those powers granted to it by the General Assembly and Article VII of the Virginia Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is required to uphold the Constitutions of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the federal and state judiciary have exclusive jurisdiction pursuant to Article III of the U.S. Constitution and Article VI of the Virginia Constitution to determine the constitutionality of laws passed by the respective legislatures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia respects the structures and limitations of government as expressed in the U.S. Constitution and Virginia Constitution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board has full faith that the division of powers expressed in Articles I, II, and III of the U.S. Constitution and Articles III, IV, V, and VI of the Virginia Constitution shall continue to operate to prevent any laws that infringe upon the rights guaranteed to the people.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board urges the General Assembly to not pass any legislation that would infringe upon the rights of the citizens of the County, including but not limited to the Second Amendment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board that James City County (the "County") shall not administer or enforce any law that is adjudicated by an appropriate Court to violate either the U.S. Constitution or Virginia Constitution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that by virtue of their Oaths of Office the Board fully supports both the U.S. and Virginia Constitutions and the rule of law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board directs the County Attorney to forward a copy of this Resolution to the County's elected representatives in the Virginia General Assembly.

James O. Icenhour, Jr.
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Teresa J. Fellows
Deputy Clerk to the Board

	VOTES		
	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
HIPPLE	_____	_____	_____
LARSON	_____	_____	_____
SADLER	_____	_____	_____
MCGLENNON	_____	_____	_____
ICENHOUR	_____	_____	_____

Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, this 10th day of December, 2019.

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