RESOLUTION OF THE DICKENSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

WHEREAS, the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution provides: "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and

bear Arms, shall not be infringed."

WHEREAS, Article I, Section 13 of the Constitution of Virginia provides "that a well regulated militia, composed of the body of the people, trained to arms, is the proper, natural, and safe defense of a free state, therefore, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed; that standing armies, in time of peace, should be avoided as dangerous to liberty; and that in all cases the military should be under strict subordination to, and governed by, the civil power;"

WHEREAS, the Dickenson County Board of Supervisors is concerned about the passage of any bill containing language which could be interpreted as infringing upon the rights of the law abiding citizens of Dickenson County to keep and bear Arms or could begin a slippery slope of restrictions of the Second Amendment rights of the citizens of Dickenson County;

WHEREAS, the Dickenson County Board of Supervisors wishes to express it deep commitment to the rights of all citizens of Dickenson County to keep and bear arms;

WHEREAS, the Dickenson County Board of Supervisors wishes to express its opposition to any law that would unconstitutionally restrict the rights of the citizens of Dickenson County to bear arms;

WHEREAS, the Dickenson County Board of Supervisors wishes to express it intent to stand as a Sanctuary County for Second Amendment rights and to oppose, within the limits of the Constitutions of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia, any efforts to unconstitutionally restrict such rights, and to use such legal means at its disposal to protect the right of the citizens to keep and bear arms, including through legal action, the power of appropriation of public funds, and the right to petition for redress of grievances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF DICKENSON COUNTY, VIRGINIA:

That the Board of Supervisors hereby expresses its intent to uphold the Second Amendment rights of the citizens of Dickenson County, Virginia and its intent that public funds of the County not be used to unlawfully restrict Second Amendment rights or to aid in the unnecessary and unconstitutional restriction of the rights under the Second Amendment of the citizens of Dickenson County, Virginia to bear arms; and

That the Board of Supervisors hereby declares its intent to oppose unconstitutional restrictions on the right to keep and bear arms through such legal means as may be expedient, including, without limitation, court action; and

That the Board of Supervisors hereby declares Dickenson County, Virginia as a Second Amendment Sanctuary.

THEREFORE BE ADOPTED this <u>19TH</u> day of <u>NOVEMBER</u>, 2019.

Daw Du David Perry, Chairman

ATTEST:

Theresa Lyall