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At a meeting of the Scott County Board of Supervisors begun and held in the Supervisors' meeting room located at the Community Services Building in Gate City, Virginia on Wednesday the 4th day of December, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Darrel W. Jeter

Marshall D. Tipton

Garland "Jack" Compton

Joe W. Herron

Danny P. Mann - Chairman

Chad E. Hood (arrived at 10:27 a.m.) David S. Redwine – Vice Chairman

ABSENT:

None.

On a motion by Danny P. Mann, duly seconded by Garland "Jack" Compton, this Board hereby approves the following:

RESOLUTION NO: 2019-13

A RESOLUTION IN AFFIRMATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE AND REGARDING A COMMITMENT TO RESPECT, PRESERVE, AND ENFORCE THE SECOND AMENDMENT (US CONSTITUTION) AND ART. 1 § 13 (VA CONSTITUTION)

WHEREAS the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, § 15.2-1522 provides that every elected County officer, unless otherwise provided by law, on or before the day on which his term of office begins, shall qualify by taking the oath prescribed by § 49-1;

WHEREAS the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, § 49-1 prescribes the Oath of Office of the members of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Scott, Virginia, as follows: I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge all the duties incumbent upon me as an elected member of the Board of Supervisors according to the best of my ability, so help me God;

WHEREAS the Constitution of the United States at Amendment II expressly states that 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 the Constitution of Virginia at Article I, § 13 expressly states 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; and

WHEREAS there is concern that unconstitutional or unlawful legislation, which infringes upon the rights of the citizens to keep and bear arms under the Constitutions of the Commonwealth of Virginia (Article 1, § 13) and the United States (Amendment II), may be introduced in the legislative sessions of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia and/or the United States Congress.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBYRESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SCOTT COUNTY, VIRGINIA THAT:

- 1. As a body collective, the Board hereby affirms the Oath of Office pursuant to the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, § 49-1 committing to support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and to faithfully and impartially discharge all the duties incumbent upon the Board to the best of its ability;
- 2. The Board expresses its commitment by any and all legal means to Respect, Preserve, and Enforce the Second of Amendment of the Constitution of the United States and Article 1, § 13 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia to the fullest extent permitted by law;
- 3. The Board urges the Virginia General Assembly, the United States Congress, and other agencies of the State and Federal government to vigilantly preserve and protect those rights by rejecting any provision, law, or regulation that may infringe, have the tendency to infringe, or place any additional burdens on the right of law-abiding citizens to keep and bear arms; and,
- 4. The Board directs its staff to forward a copy of this resolution to the County's elected representatives in the Virginia General Assembly and the United States Congress and to the Governor of Virginia.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, Marshall D. Tipton, Garland "Jack" Compton, Joe W. Herron,

Danny P. Mann, and David S. Redwine.

Voting nay: None.

Absent: Chad E. Hood

Attest: Sulla F

C: The Honorable Ralph Northam

The Honorable Todd Pillion

The Honorable Morgan Griffith

The Honorable Mark Warner

The Honorable Tim Kaine

The Honorable Terry Kilgore

County Attorney Sally Kegley