

## RESOLUTION NO. RS-2020- 34

### *(Expressing Support of the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution and Declaring Washington County a Second Amendment Sanctuary)*

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution reads, "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 members of the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, as is the case for all elected officials in Maryland, are sworn to protect the Constitution of the United States and the laws thereof.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County wishes to express its concern about the passage of any bill containing language that could be interpreted as infringing the Second Amendment rights of the citizens of Washington County to keep and bear arms.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County wishes to express its intent to stand as a Sanctuary County for Second Amendment rights and to oppose, within the limits of the Constitution of the United States, 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, that:

1. The Board of County Commissioners of Washington County hereby expresses its intent to uphold the Second Amendment rights of the citizens of Washington County, Maryland and its intent that public funds of the County not be used to restrict Second Amendment rights or to aid in the unnecessary and unconstitutional restriction of the rights under the Second Amendment of the citizens of Washington County to bear arms;

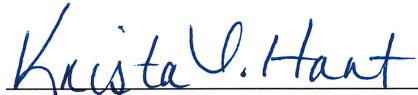
2. The Board of County Commissioners of Washington County hereby declares its intent to oppose unconstitutional restrictions on the right to keep and bear arms through such legal means as may be expedient; and

3. Washington County is hereby declared a Second Amendment Sanctuary; and

4. We will preserve, protect, and defend the United States Constitution.

Adopted this seventeenth day of November, 2020.

ATTEST:



Krista L. Hart, Clerk

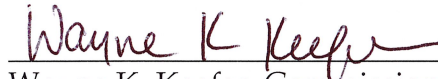
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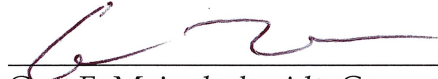
Jeffrey A. Cline, President



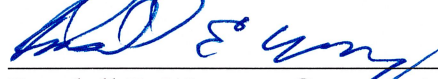
Terry L. Baker, Vice President



Wayne K. Keefer, Commissioner

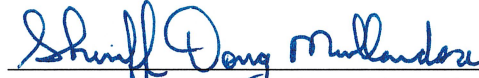


Cort F. Meinelschmidt, Commissioner



Randall E. Wagner, Commissioner

Concurrence:



Douglas W. Mullendore, Sheriff

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