

**A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE MILLER COUNTY, GEORGIA,
TO BE A “SECOND AMENDMENT SANCTUARY COUNTY”**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Miller County, Georgia, being elected to represent the People of Miller County, Georgia, and further, being duly sworn by Oath, to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution provides as follows:

“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.”
; and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the United States has affirmed an individual’s fundamental right “to possess a firearm, unconnected with service in the militia, and to use that arm for traditionally lawful purposes, such self-defense within the home.” *District of Columbia, st al., vs. Heller*, 554 U.S. 570 (2008); and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the United States has affirmed the fundamental right of an individual to “keep and bear arms,” is protected under the Second Amendment, and is, further, incorporated by the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment, as applied to the States, *McDonald, dt al., vs. City of Chicago, Illinois*, 561 U.S. 742 (2010); and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the United States has affirmed that the Federal Government of the United States can neither force, nor compel, State law enforcement officials to enforce Federal Laws, *Printz, Sheriff/Coroner, Ravalli County, Montana, vs. United States*, 521 U.S. 898 (1997); and

WHEREAS, Article I, Section I, Paragraph VIII of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, entitled “Arms, Right to Keep and Bear,” provides as follows:

“The right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed, but the General Assembly shall have power to prescribe the manner in which arms may be borne.”
; and

WHEREAS, the Official Code of Georgia, Annotated, Section 1-2-6(a)(9), provides that the rights of citizens of the State of Georgia include, *without limitation*, “*The right to keep and bear arms.*”; and

WHEREAS, all federal acts, laws, orders, mandates, rules and/or regulations regarding firearms, firearms accessories, and ammunition, are an express violation of the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution, as well as to Article I, Section I, Paragraph VIII of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, and are wholly contrary to the original intent of those provisions; and

WHEREAS, the Citizens of Miller County, Georgia, regard the right of the people to keep and bear arms for defense of life, liberty, and property, as a fundamental and inalienable right of the people; and

WHEREAS, the Citizens of Miller County, Georgia, derive economic and social benefits from all safe forms of firearms recreation, including hunting, and shooting sports, conducted within Miller County, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Miller County Board of Commissioners to declare its support for the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and to Article I, Section I, Paragraph VIII of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, which protect and insure Miller County Citizens' individual, fundamental, and inalienable rights to keep and bear arms.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOVED, by the Miller County Board of Commissioners, duly assembled this 10 day of May, 2021; that Miller County be, and is hereby declared, to be a "*Second Amendment Sanctuary County*" of the State of Georgia.

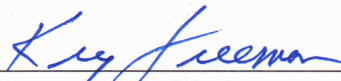
LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Miller County Board of Commissioners hereby expressly affirms its support for the Miller County Sheriff, in the exercise of his sound discretion, to not enforce against any citizen, any unconstitutional firearms law, order, rule or regulation.

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that no agent, employee, or official of Miller County, Georgia, or any corporation providing services to Miller County, Georgia, shall provide material support, or otherwise participate in any way, with the implementation of federal acts, laws, orders, mandates, rules, or regulations which are in violation of the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution or Article I, Section I, Paragraph VIII, of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Miller County Board of Commissioners will not authorize or appropriate funds, resources, employees, agencies, contractors, building, vacant lands, detention centers or offices, for the purpose of enforcing or assisting in the enforcement of any element of any acts, laws, orders, mandates, rules, or regulations that infringe on the right of the people to keep and bear arms; and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that all federal acts, laws, orders, mandates, rules, or regulations that violate the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution or Article I, Section I, Paragraph VIII of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, violate the true, original meaning and intent of those Constitutions, and are hereby declared to be in whole, and on their face, invalid, and are specifically rejected in Miller County, Georgia, and shall be considered null and void, of no force or effect, and otherwise unenforceable, in Miller County, Georgia.

ADOPTED AND INCORPORATED, this 10 day of May, 2021.



Kreg Freeman, Chairman
Miller County Board of Commissioners

The above Resolution was adopted by the Miller County Board of Commissioners on this 10 day of May, 2021.

Attest: 

Sherrie Stewart, County Clerk

