

RESOLUTION # _____

RESOLUTION TO CHARGE INMATES A NOMINAL FEE FOR HOSPITAL ESCORT

WHEREAS, *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 41-4-142(b), authorizes county legislative bodies to pass a resolution to establish and implement a plan authorizing the jail or workhouse administrator to charge an inmate committed to the county jail or workhouse a nominal fee, set by the county legislative body at the time of adoption, when an inmate requests to be escorted by correctional officers to a hospital or other health care facility for the purpose of visiting an immediate family member who is a patient at the facility; and

WHEREAS, the _____ County Legislative Body has determined that it is in the best interests of _____ County that the county establish a plan to charge inmates a nominal fee for providing correctional officers to escort inmates to a hospital or other health care facility for the purpose of visiting an immediate family member who is a patient at the facility when provided at the inmate's request;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the _____ County Legislative Body meeting in _____ session in _____, Tennessee, on the ___ day of _____, 20___, that:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the provisions of *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 41-4-142(b), the jail or workhouse administrator of _____ County is authorized to charge an inmate incarcerated in the county jail or workhouse, _____ dollars (\$_____) for providing correctional officers to escort the inmate to a hospital or other health care facility for the purpose of visiting an immediate family member who is a patient at the facility when provided at the inmate's request.

SECTION 2. Pursuant to the provisions of *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 41-4-142(c), the jail or workhouse administrator is authorized to deduct the amount of the fee authorized by Section 1 of this resolution from such inmate's jail trust account or any other account or fund established by or for the benefit of such inmate while incarcerated.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall not be construed as authorizing the county to fail to provide the services specified in this resolution based on the inmate's inability to pay the fee authorized by this resolution.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall take effect upon adoption, the general welfare requiring it.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 200___.

APPROVED:

County Mayor

ATTEST:

County Clerk