**WHEREAS,** *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Title 5, Chapter 17 authorizes counties to form a county-wide fire department which may serve the entire county area with the agreement of the incorporated municipalities and the county, or which may be organized to serve only the unincorporated areas of the county; and,

**WHEREAS,** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County has a need for a county fire department to provide fire protection services in the unincorporated areas of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County; and,

**WHEREAS,** Chapter 125 of the Public Acts of 1999 amends *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Title 5, Chapter 17 to allow the county legislative body of any county in Tennessee to establish a fire service district for the unincorporated areas of a county as an alternative to fire tax districts; and,

**WHEREAS,** when such a fire service district for the unincorporated areas of a county is established, the county is authorized to allocate revenues to such fire service district and county fire department from revenues generated by situs-based taxes collected in unincorporated areas of the county, revenues from other sources which have already been shared with municipalities or from donations or charitable contributions to fund the activities of the county fire department; and,

**WHEREAS,** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County does not wish to form fire tax districts or use county property taxes to fund the county fire department, nor does \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County wish to use any funds contributed to the county by taxes generated in the incorporated areas of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County to fund the county fire department;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County, Tennessee meeting in regular session in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Tennessee as follows:

* + 1. A county fire department for the unincorporated areas of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County is hereby re-established in accordance with *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Title 5, Chapter 17, as amended.

2. The unincorporated area of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County is designated a fire service district.
3. The county fire department shall be funded exclusively from revenues generated by situs-based taxes collected in unincorporated areas of the county, revenues from other sources which have already been shared with municipalities or from donations or charitable contributions. Beginning July 1, 1999, funds for the use of the county fire department shall be allocated to a special fund which shall be created and established and which shall be known as the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County Fire Protection Fund. Revenues shall be allocated to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County Fire Protection Fund and appropriated to the use of the county fire department through the regular budgetary and appropriation process of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County, Tennessee subject to the restrictions provided by this Resolution.

Adopted this day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_.

APPROVED:

County Executive

ATTEST:

County Clerk