

STATE OF ALABAMA     )  
BALDWIN COUNTY        )

**RESOLUTION #2022-017  
OF THE  
BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION**

OPPOSING LEGISLATION RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE OF CONCEALED CARRY PERMITS WITHIN THE STATE OF ALABAMA AND WEAKENING OR RESTRICTING THE BALDWIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S ABILITY TO DETERMINE WHICH BALDWIN COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE DULY QUALIFIED TO POSSESS AND KEEP A CONCEALED PISTOL.

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County, Alabama County Commission is fully supportive of the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and simultaneously recognizes its duty to protect the welfare and safety of all Baldwin County citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Commission has the legal, moral and ethical responsibility to assist the Baldwin County Sheriff in his duty to protect the safety and welfare of the citizens of Baldwin County; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Commission recognizes and fully supports and the efforts of the Baldwin County Sheriff in protecting public safety in Baldwin County; and

WHEREAS, it is the legal duty of the Baldwin County Sheriff to issue concealed carry pistol permits to all Baldwin County residents who are duly qualified under the law to possess a pistol; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Commission recognizes the importance of the BALDWIN County Sheriff's ability to prevent unqualified persons from possessing a pistol permit and fully supports his ongoing efforts to do so; and

WHEREAS, any effort by the Alabama Legislature or any other entity to eliminate the necessity of citizens to obtain a concealed carry pistol permit or any effort to curtail the BALDWIN County Sheriff's ability to ensure that only qualified persons receive and keep a concealed carry pistol permit is dangerous to our citizens, to our law enforcement officers and is contrary to good public policy; and

WHEREAS, any effort by the Alabama Legislature or any other entity to eliminate the necessity of citizens to obtain a concealed carry pistol permit or any effort to curtail the BALDWIN County Sheriffs ability to ensure that only qualified persons receive and keep a concealed carry pistol permit would also cause the Baldwin County Sheriff to lose a substantial amount of his or her operating funds and, as a result, drastically affect the ability to fulfill his or her duty of ensuring public safety; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Baldwin County Commission as follows:

We fully support the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and its application to all citizens of Baldwin County and reaffirm our obligation to promote public safety for all Baldwin County citizens; and

We fully support the Baldwin County Sheriff and his office in their efforts to promote and ensure the safety and welfare of the citizens of Baldwin County; and

We hereby denounce any effort by the Alabama Legislature or any other entity or organization, to affect the Baldwin County Sheriff's ability to provide for the safety and welfare of all Baldwin County citizens by eliminating the necessity for obtaining a concealed carry pistol permit. We also denounce the weakening or further restriction of the Baldwin County Sheriff's ability to determine which Baldwin County residents are duly qualified to possess and keep a concealed pistol.

DONE, under the Seal of Baldwin County, Alabama, as affixed on this the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November 2021.

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JAMES E. BALL, Chairman  
Baldwin County Commission

ATTEST:

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WAYNE DYESS  
County Administrator