

STATE OF ALABAMA)
BALDWIN COUNTY)

**RESOLUTION #2020-068
OF THE
BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION**

**OPPOSING HOUSE BILL 39 AND SENATE BILL 47 INTRODUCED INTO THE 2020
ALABAMA LEGISLATIVE SESSION.**

WHEREAS, BALDWIN County, Alabama, has the legal 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 the efforts of the Baldwin County Sheriff in protecting public safety in Baldwin County; and

WHEREAS, it is the prerogative of the Baldwin County Sheriff to issue pistol permits to all Baldwin County residents who are duly qualified 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

WHEREAS, House Bill 39 and Senate Bill 47 introduced into the 2020 Alabama Legislative Session calling for the establishment of a pistol permit database with the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency in Montgomery, Alabama, and offering a lifetime pistol permit to citizens as young as 19 years old would severely weaken the Baldwin County Sheriff's ability to effectively ensure that only qualified persons receive and keep a pistol permit; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 39 and Senate Bill 47 introduced into the 2020 Alabama Legislative Session would cause the Baldwin County Sheriff to lose a substantial amount of operating funds which drastically affects the Sheriff's ability to fund his pursuit of public safety; and

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION, IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, that, we hereby, determine as follows:

- 1) We fully support the Baldwin County Sheriff and his Office.
- 2) We fully support the Baldwin County Sheriff's efforts to keep our citizens safe every day.
- 3) We denounce any effort, such as the proposed 2020 Alabama Legislative Session Legislation House Bill 39 and Senate Bill 47 as introduced, to weaken the Baldwin County Sheriff's ability to provide for the safety and welfare of all Baldwin County citizens.

DONE, under the Seal of the County of Baldwin, at the County Seat in Bay Minette, Alabama, on this the 3rd day of March 2020.


Commissioner Billie Jo Underwood, Chairman

ATTEST:


Wayne Dyess, County Administrator

