



TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

County Courthouse, Room 101 / Woodville, Texas

Wednesday, April 11, 2018

Martin Nash
Commissioner, Pct. 1

Rusty Hughes
Commissioner, Pct. 2

Jacques L. Blanchette
County Judge

Mike Marshall
Commissioner, Pct. 3

Jack Walston
Commissioner, Pct. 4

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF TYLER

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RESOLUTION

Unfunded Mandates

WHEREAS, the Texas counties are responsible for the operation and management of many and various governmental programs as required or authorized by state law; and

WHEREAS, some county government programs are fully or partially supported with funds disbursed by the State of Texas pursuant to the state appropriations process; and

WHEREAS, the State of Texas, acting through the Texas Legislature or through a state agency or executive order, may enact laws or promulgate rules that have the effect of imposing mandatory financial obligations upon Texas counties; and

WHEREAS, the State of Texas, acting through the Texas Legislature or through a state agency or executive order, mandates that counties implement certain governmental programs or perform certain duties and obligations including financial commitments by a county to expend county funds in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, during each regular session of the Texas Legislature, all state funds that support county programs are reviewed through the state appropriation process and by other budgetary review systems; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned review process may result in a reduction, or cessation, of state financial support of county government programs causing an unforeseeable disruption and reduction of the county budget and operations; and

WHEREAS, Texas counties cannot achieve reliable financial planning and the necessary bond ratings sufficient to support county-related obligations when the state mandates a new program that is not fully funded or under conditions where the state reduces or fully withdraws prior funding and disbursement for county government programs;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this the ____ day of _____, 20__ by the Tyler County Commissioners Court that it is in the best interests of local governments and their taxpayers to support and favor the passage of legislation in the form of an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas that would expressly prohibit the imposition of a mandatory governmental program on Texas local governments, whether by an act of the Texas Legislature or a state agency or by executive order, unless the State of Texas has fully funded and disbursed all necessary funds to enable local governments to operate said governmental program.

Martin Nash, Commissioner Pct. 1

Mike Marshall, Commissioner Pct. 3

Rusty Hughes, Commissioner Pct. 2

Jack Walston, Commissioner Pct. 4

Jacques L. Blanchette, County Judge

Attest: _____
Donece Gregory, County Clerk