



Amherst County Board of Supervisors
County Resolution No. 2020-0019-R

For consideration on July 21, 2020

A RESOLUTION, NO. 2020-0019-R

A resolution, declaring Amherst County, Virginia will not exercise any authority granted to it by § 15.2-915(E) of the Code of Virginia to regulate or prohibit the otherwise legal purchase, possession, or transfer of firearms or ammunition.

Approved as to form and legality by the Amherst County Attorney

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA:

I. That the Amherst County Board of Supervisors declares that Amherst County, Virginia will not exercise any authority granted to it by § 15.2-915(E) of the Code of Virginia to regulate or prohibit the otherwise legal purchase, possession, or transfer of firearms or ammunition, as follows:

WHEREAS, in acknowledgment of its deep commitment to the rights of all citizens of, and visitors to, Amherst County to keep and bear arms, Amherst County Board of Supervisors previously declared Amherst County to be a 'Second Amendment Sanctuary'; and

WHEREAS, certain legislation has been passed in the Virginia General Assembly that allows localities to, by ordinance, ban otherwise lawfully possessed and transported firearms from certain public spaces, causing law-abiding citizens to be exposed to a patchwork of local ordinances as they travel throughout the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the Amherst County Board of Supervisors acknowledges the significant economic contribution made to our community by tourists and visitors and does not wish to discourage travel to Amherst County; and

WHEREAS, Amherst County wishes to welcome all law-abiding citizens who wish to live in, visit, or otherwise participate in the economy of our community, including those citizens and visitors who choose to legally carry a firearm for personal protection; and

WHEREAS, the Amherst County Board of Supervisors does not wish to infringe on the rights of the citizens of, or visitors to, Amherst County to keep and bear arms; and

WHEREAS, the Amherst County Board of Supervisors wishes to express its continued opposition to any law that would unconstitutionally restrict the rights of the citizens of, and visitors to, Amherst County to keep and bear arms.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA:

That the Amherst Board of Supervisors hereby declares Amherst County, Virginia will not exercise any authority granted to it by § 15.2-915(E) of the Code of Virginia to regulate or prohibit the otherwise legal purchase, possession, or transfer of firearms or ammunition.

II. That this resolution shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

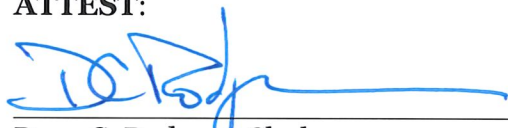
Adopted this 21st day of July, 2020.



Claudia D. Tucker, Chair
Board of Supervisors of the County of Amherst, Virginia

Member	Vote
Claudia D. Tucker, Chair.....	<u>AYE</u>
Jennifer R. Moore, Vice-Chair.....	<u>AYE</u>
David W. Pugh, Jr.	<u>AYE</u>
Tom Martin	<u>AYE</u>
L. J. "Jimmy" Ayers III	<u>AYE</u>

ATTEST:



Dean C. Rodgers, Clerk
Board of Supervisors of the County of Amherst, Virginia