

HARTSVILLE/TROUSDALE COUNTY GOVERNMENT

**ORDINANCE #289-2023-26**

**AN ORDINANCE TO ADD JUNETEENTH OR EMANCIPATION DAY  
AS A PAID HOLIDAY OF HARTSVILLE/TROUSDALE COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the Hartsville/Trousdale County Government is required to develop its own personnel and office polices; and

**WHEREAS**, our current Personnel Policies were passed by this body in August 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, these policies should be periodically reviewed, updated, and changed when necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, HTCG employee holidays align with the State of Tennessee paid holiday schedule; and

**WHEREAS**, Juneteenth is a federal holiday commemorating the emancipation of enslaved African Americans on June 19, 1866; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 23, 2023 the TN Senate voted to pass bill Senate Bill 0269 changing Juneteenth from a "day of special observance" to a paid state holiday; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 20, 2023 the TN House of Representatives voted to pass bill HB 0317 changing Juneteenth from a "day of special observance" to a paid state holiday; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Hartsville/Trousdale County Commission meeting in regular session, that the Hartsville/Trousdale County Personnel Policy Section V, Item B.1 be amended by the addition of Juneteenth to the declared official holidays for HTC employees and celebrated annually on June 19.

**BE IT ENACTED** that this ordinance shall take effect from and after its adoption, the public welfare requiring it.

*Public Hearing to be held on May 22, 2023 if approved on 1<sup>st</sup> reading.*

		1M <u>Judy Kerr</u>	<b>Voice Vote</b>		
First Reading:	<u>April 24, 2023</u>	2m <u>David Thomas</u>	<i>Approved w/o opposition</i>	Absent <u>1</u>	<b>PASSED</b>
		1M <u>Shane Burton</u>	<b>Voice Vote</b>		
Second Reading:	<u>May 22, 2023</u>	2m <u>Beverly Atwood</u>	<i>Approved w/o opposition</i>	Absent <u>4</u>	<b>PASSED</b>

**IN EFFECT AND APPROVED ON MAY 22, 2023 IN REGULAR SESSION**

**Approved:**

**Attest:**

  
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Commission Chairman

  
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County Clerk