

HARTSVILLE/TROUSDALE COUNTY GOVERNMENT

**RESOLUTION #2020-19-694**

**A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE AUGUST REFERENDUM TO  
INCREASE THE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX RATE FROM 2.25% TO 2.75%**

**WHEREAS**, in April 2020 at the regular session of the Hartsville/Trousdale County Commission, the Commission approved Resolution 2020-12-687 that resolved to put on the August 6, 2020 ballot a referendum to increase the Local Option Sales Tax Rate to 2.75%; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution 2020-12-687 was then sent to the Trousdale County Election Commission and was approved to be placed on the August ballot for the people of Hartsville/Trousdale County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission has made increasing efforts to not increase the property tax levies in several years; and

**WHEREAS**, many Local Governments including Hartsville/Trousdale County have reduced revenue funding due to business closures or operating limitations due to the recent pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission expresses their support of this increase in order to assist with the rising costs of employee salaries and education, to reduce the County's debt, and to provide infrastructure and public services for the growth of Hartsville/Trousdale County citizens.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HARTSVILLE/TROUSDALE COUNTY COMMISSION**, that the Commission:

- Endorses the Local Option Sales Tax Increase to 2.75%.
- Endorses the goal of economic stability of the Hartsville/Trousdale County Government.
- Endorses the growth of Hartsville/Trousdale County.
- Encourages the Hartsville/Trousdale County Community to vote FOR the Resolution of increasing the County Sales Tax from 2.25% to 2.75%, except where the Sales Tax Rate is limited or modified by statute.

Motion to approve: Gary Claridy

Second motion: Landon Gulley


Voice Vote of General Consent    ABSENT    1

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON JULY 27, 2020**

**APPROVED:**

**ATTEST:**

  
Dwight Jewell  
Commission Chair

  
Rita Crowder  
County Clerk