

BENTON COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 16
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT
OF THE
OFFICE COUNTY SHERIFF
IN
WASHINGTON STATE

Whereas; the Preamble of the Declaration of Independence states, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Whereas, the right of *Due Process* is guaranteed by Amendment V and Amendment XIV Section 1 of The U.S. Bill of Rights and ARTICLE 1, SECTION 3 of the Constitution of the State of Washington;

Whereas, the *Presumption of Innocence* is guaranteed by RCW [10.58.020](#);

Whereas, the right of a *Trial by Jury* is guaranteed in ARTICLE 1, SECTION 21 of the Constitution of the State of Washington;

Whereas, Sheriff Hatcher has had no evidence brought against him to prove wrongdoing, has continued to fight for the Benton County Citizens' Constitutional Rights, has not had credible proof of any violations of his oath of office, and has continually performed his duties of a County Sheriff as described in RCW [36.28.010](#), the sheriff is the chief executive officer and conservator of the peace of the county and is duly elected by county citizens

Whereas, pursuant of RCW [4.96.041](#), "The necessary expenses of defending an elective officer of the local governmental entity in a judicial hearing to determine the sufficiency of a recall charge as provided in *RCW [29.82.023](#) shall be paid by the local governmental entity if the officer requests such defense and approval is granted by both the legislative authority of the local governmental entity and the attorney representing the local governmental entity; and


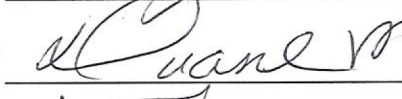
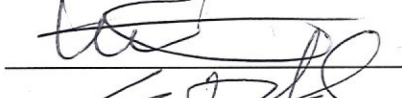


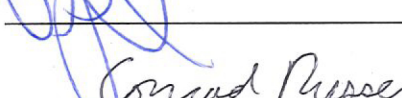
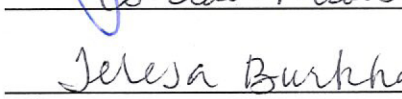
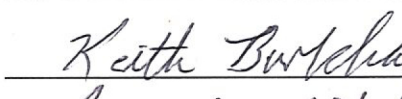
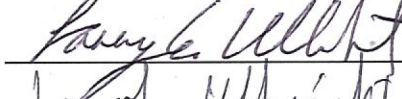
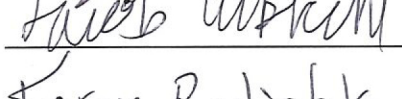
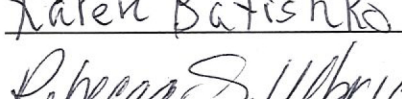
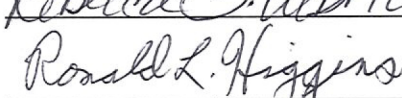
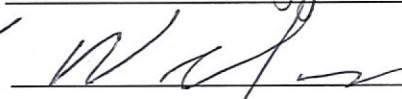


Whereas, Sheriff Jerry Hatcher is a self-proclaimed Constitutional Sheriff and has clearly stated that he will defend our Constitutional Rights as prescribed in the Constitution of the State of Washington, Article XI, Section 5; therefore, his continued presence as Benton County Sheriff is imperative and vital to the future of Benton County of Washington State and its citizens;

Therefore, considering that all citizens are guaranteed due process with the presumption of innocence by a trial jury in a court of law and not by other entities such as the media, the afore signed Citizens of Benton County firmly **resolve** to support their duly elected Sheriff now, and in the future, both in principal and financially as dictated in RCW [4.96.041](#); and

Be it further resolved that the Citizens of Benton County insist upon upholding the Office of the County Sheriff as an elected, by the people, position. We will **NOT** support any legislation that would deny us the opportunity to elect whom we choose to be the chief executive officer and conservator of the peace of the county.


BCRP Legislative District 16 Chairman

Date 10/1/20

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