

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON
FOR THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

IN THE MATTER OF SUPPORTING
SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHTS

Resolution No. _____

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Jefferson County is sworn to uphold the Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution of the State of Oregon; and,

WHEREAS, the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America states: “A well regulated Militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.” and,

WHEREAS, Article 1, Section 27 of the Oregon Constitution states: “The people shall have the right to bear arms for the defence [sic] of themselves, and the State, but the Military shall be kept in strict subordination to the civil power.” and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Jefferson County recognizes the Constitutions of the United States of America and the State of Oregon are the documents that protect and preserve our democracy and liberty and should be upheld; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Jefferson County also recognizes that the first and last protectors of the Constitutions of the United States of America and the State of Oregon are the people of the United States and Oregon, and that the ability of the people to fulfill that role rests in large part on the people’s right to bear arms as stated in the Constitutions of the United States of America and Oregon; and,

WHEREAS, the criminal misuse of firearms by those in the criminal element is not a reason to deny the Constitutional right to keep and bear arms by law-abiding citizens; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners RESOLVES as follows:

1. Jefferson County strongly affirms its commitment to the rights and liberties enshrined within the Constitutions of the United States of America and Oregon, especially the right to keep and bear arms; and
2. Jefferson County opposes any state or federal law that abridges or is contrary to the provisions of the Constitutions of the United States of America and the State of Oregon preserving the people’s right to keep and bear arms; and,

3. Jefferson County strongly supports the right of the people to keep and bear arms as stated in the Constitutions of the United States of America and the State of Oregon and vigorously opposes any state or federal law that unconstitutionally restricts these rights.

DATED this _____ day of _____, 2015.

JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Wayne Fording, Commission Chair

Mike Ahern, Commissioner

Mae Huston, Commissioner

Acknowledged By:

Jim Adkins, Jefferson County Sheriff