



## **RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE**

**RESOLVE** Supporting the People of Ukraine

**WHEREAS**, the Russian military has invaded Ukraine without justification; and

**WHEREAS**, this invasion has killed and injured civilians and caused a grave humanitarian and refugee crisis; and

**WHEREAS**, the military and civilians of Ukraine are fighting courageously for their freedom at mortal peril; and

**WHEREAS**, public expressions of support for the people of Ukraine have galvanized national governments, businesses, and organizations around the world to concrete action to hinder this invasion and mitigate its effects; and

**WHEREAS**, Knox County is home to people who suffered or whose families suffered oppression behind the Iron Curtain;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS FOLLOWS:**

**THAT** the County of Knox condemns the invasion of Ukraine by the Russian military; and

**THAT** the County of Knox regards this invasion as not just a humanitarian catastrophe but also as an affront to the principles of democracy, liberty, and self-determination; and

**THAT** the County of Knox stands in solidarity with the small towns and cities of Ukraine as well as with the larger Ukrainian populace; and

**THAT** the County of Knox extends its sympathy to the Russian civilians who will suffer from sanctions as a result of the conduct of their leaders; and

**THAT** the County of Knox wishes for an expeditious end to this violent conflict that respects the territorial integrity and cultural and political autonomy of Ukraine.

DATED AT ROCKLAND THIS 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2022.

KNOX COUNTY COMMISSION

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Dorothy G. Meriwether – Commission Chair, District #1

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Richard L. Parent, Jr. – Commissioner, District #2

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Sharyn L. Pohlman – Commission, District #3