

ITEM NO: \_\_\_\_\_

PREPARED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CONCEPT OF CONSOLIDATION.  
SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER STEVE MULROY.

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WHEREAS, this body narrowly passed an October 2010 resolution expressing its opposition to the Metro Charter on the November 2010 ballot; and

WHEREAS, many of those voting for this resolution supported the idea of Metro consolidation but had reservations only about the particular Metro Charter on the ballot; and

WHEREAS, there is a danger that this resolution could be misinterpreted as opposition to metro consolidation generally; and

WHEREAS, some Shelby County citizens legitimately believe that further attempts to achieve Metro consolidation with an improved Metro Charter draft are appropriate and inevitable; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this body's prior resolution not be misconstrued as being unduly dismissive of citizens taking that view;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Shelby County Board of Commissioners supports the concept of consolidation, and is open to the idea of revisiting a Metro Charter process in an upcoming election cycle, provided that:

- (a) The City Council and County Commission have greater input into the selection of members of any appointed Metro Charter Commission;
- (b) Greater efforts are made to achieve racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic diversity among any Charter Commission appointees;
- (c) Appropriate efforts are made to avoid any undue influence of corporate interests on the process; and
- (d) The issue of school consolidation, if still applicable, should be given weight equal to that of any other major issue in Charter Commission deliberations.

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Mark H. Luttrell, Jr.  
COUNTY MAYOR

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

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CLERK OF COUNTY COMMISSION

ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_\_