

## **News Release**

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### **Greene Commissioners approve Second Amendment Sanctuary Resolution**

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WAYNESBURG – Greene County Commissioners, by majority vote, approved a resolution to make the county a sanctuary for Second Amendment rights. The proposed Second Amendment Sanctuary Resolution states that the county will not recognize the enforcement of any new laws that alter Second Amendment rights. Greene County joins Fayette County which recently passed a similar resolution.

“During meetings and routine interactions with constituents, we have repeatedly been asked about Greene County becoming a second amendment sanctuary,” said Commissioner Betsy McClure. “Our residents listen to what is discussed at the federal level of government and see what happened in Virginia and other states last year and want protection of their current rights,” she added.

The resolution affirms Greene County’s support of the rights currently given under the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in regards to the right of citizens to keep and bear arms.

In a statement supporting the resolution, Sheriff Marcus Simms said, “As all other elected officials, we swore to support and defend the Constitution of the United States and of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. This resolution reaffirms to our constituents that we, at the county level of government, intend to stand by that oath.”

A statement from the Greene County District Attorney’s Office said, “The resolution to make Greene County a second amendment sanctuary is supported by Greene County District Attorney Dave Russo.

“This resolution gives no new rights or privileges,” said Commissioner Mike Belding, “but whether you are a casual hunter, an advocate of youth activities like the Hunting Hills Hawkeyes and school rifle teams, or an individual that exercises the right to own firearms for home/self-defense, this resolution safeguards your current gun ownership rights against future infringement in Greene County, PA.”

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