

## **RESOLUTION NO. 20260127-01H**

### **Resolution Honoring the Life and Service of Charles W. “Charlie” Holt, Jr. and Naming the Lawrence County Judicial Annex in His Honor**

Whereas, Charles W. “Charlie” Holt, Jr., a lifelong resident of Lawrence County, passed away on December 10, 2025, after nearly five decades of distinguished service to the people of this county and the State of Tennessee; and

Whereas, Charlie practiced law for almost fifty years and was a founding and central figure of the firm now known as Boston, Holt & Durham, where he earned a reputation as a steady, principled counselor whose judgment and integrity were widely respected by clients, colleagues, and courts alike; and

Whereas, Charlie guided generations of families and businesses through some of their most important and difficult decisions; and

Whereas, Charlie served as County Attorney for Lawrence County for more than thirty years, helping to shape local government through his consistent, thoughtful, and faithful legal counsel to the Lawrence County Commission and its departments through periods of growth, challenge, and transition; and

Whereas, Charlie’s service to the legal profession included induction as a Fellow of the Tennessee Bar Foundation and active membership in the Lawrence County Bar Association and the Tennessee Bar Association, reflecting the high esteem in which he was held by his peers; and

Whereas, beyond his professional accomplishments, Charlie demonstrated a lifelong commitment to service, faith, and community through his involvement with the Downtown Church of Christ, the Pulaski Street Church of Christ, and his leadership as President of Christian Homes, Inc., where he worked to ensure dignity and compassion for vulnerable members of the community; and

Whereas, Charlie’s life reflected values of fairness, humility, courtesy, and devotion to family, colleagues, and community, and he served as a mentor and example to generations of lawyers and public servants; and

Whereas, Charlie was a devoted family man and friend who valued simple time spent at home, deep conversations, and visits with friends and clients who often became one and the same; and

Whereas, the Lawrence County Commission finds it appropriate and wise to permanently recognize and honor Charlie’s lasting contributions to the administration of justice and the governance of Lawrence County;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Lawrence County Legislative Body meeting in Regular Session on this 17th day of February 2026 (as postponed from 27<sup>th</sup> day of

January 2026) that the new judicial facility adjoining the Lawrence County Courthouse shall be officially named the Charles W. “Charlie” Holt, Jr. Judicial Annex; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this designation shall stand as a lasting memorial to Charlie’s decades of service to Lawrence County, his unwavering commitment to the rule of law, and his quiet but profound influence on the institutions and people he served; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Executive is authorized and directed to take such actions as may be reasonably necessary to implement this resolution, including appropriate signage, records, and ceremonial recognition that solemnize the terms of this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all those seeking justice and protection of law in this place know that Charlie was unflappable, principled, and unfailingly courteous—a lawyer of the “old school” in the best sense of the phrase; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all those who preside and practice law here remember Charlie’s mentorship as a lawyer who listened more than he spoke and led by example, so that none may forget that the practice of law is, at its core, a profession to serve people; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Body and presented to the Holt family and Charlie’s work family at Boston, Holt & Durham as an expression of the County’s gratitude and respect; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this Body and the citizens it represents forever remember Charlie’s life and service and honor the betterment he brought to Lawrence County.

Passed this 17th day of February 2026.

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Shane Eaton, Chair  
Lawrence County Legislative Body

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David A. Morgan, County Executive

ATTEST:

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Russ Brewer, County Clerk

SPONSOR: Lawrence County Commissioners and County Executive