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**SCOTT COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

SCOTT

VIRGINIA

At a meeting of the Scott County Board of Supervisors begun and held in the Supervisors' meeting room located at the Community Services Building in Gate City, Virginia on Wednesday the 4th day of March 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Darrel W. Jeter
L. Michele Glover – Vice-Chairman
Eddie N. Skeen
Michael K. Brickey
Danny M. Casteel
Christopher S. Maness – Chairman
Stefanie C. Addington.

ABSENT: None.

On a motion by Stefanie C. Addington, duly seconded by L. Michele Glover this Board hereby approves the following:

RESOLUTION NO: 2026-05

**RESOLUTION
IN RE: OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED HOUSE BILL 1377
WHICH WOULD CREATE A TASK FORCE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE VIRGINIA
MILITARY INSTITUTE SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE A
STATE-SPONSORED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, House Bill 1377 has been introduced in the 2026 General Assembly Session which in sum creates a task force to determine whether the Virginia Military Institute should continue to be a state-sponsored institution of higher education in the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Military Institute (hereinafter VMI) was founded in 1839 as America's first state-sponsored and -supported military college and is the oldest public senior military college in the United States. In keeping with its founding principles and unlike any other senior military college in the United States, VMI enrolls cadets only and awards bachelor's degrees exclusively. The institute grants degrees in disciplines in engineering, science, and the liberal arts; and

WHEREAS, VMI has produced approximately 26,000 graduates during its 186 years of existence many of which have served the United States of America in the U.S. Navy, U.S. States Army, U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Marine Corps including over 285 graduates who have obtained the rank of general or flag officer; and

WHEREAS, VMI has over the years produced many citizen soldiers that have served not only in the military but have been leaders and contributors in medicine, law, engineering, liberal arts and business; and

WHEREAS, VMI has more than proven itself worthy of the Commonwealth of Virginia's investment of public funds in producing citizen soldiers who have served the Commonwealth and the Republic of the United States of America for over 186 years; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Scott County, Virginia, that it states and confirms its strong opposition to the House Bill 1377 which proposes to create a task force to determine if VMI should continue to be a state-sponsored institution of higher education in the Commonwealth of Virginia and accordingly urges the General Assembly to reject said legislation, a copy of which is attached to this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Administrator is directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Governor of Virginia and to the members of the Virginia General Assembly representing Scott County.

This Resolution was adopted by the Scott County Board of Supervisors on this the 4th day of March, 2026.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey, Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

Attest


CLERK

C: The Honorable Abigail Spanberger
The Honorable Terry Kilgore
The Honorable Todd Pillion
County Attorney Sally Kegley

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ABSENT: None.

On a motion by Darrel W. Jeter, duly seconded by Danny M. Casteel this Board hereby approves the following:

RESOLUTION NO: 2026-04

**RESOLUTION
IN RE: OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED HOUSE BILL 1374
WHICH WOULD AMEND TITLE 23.1 OF THE VIRGINIA CODE TO
EFFECTUATE THE DISSOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS OF THE
VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE AND PLACE THE GOVERNANCE OF
THE VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE UNDER THE BOARD OF VISITORS
OF VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY**

WHEREAS, House Bill 1374 has been introduced in the 2026 General Assembly Session which in sum dissolves the Board of Visitors of the Virginia Military Institute and places the Virginia Military Institute under the governance of the Board of Visitors of Virginia State University; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Military Institute (hereinafter VMI) was founded in 1839 as America's first state-sponsored and -supported military college and is the oldest public senior military college in the United States. In keeping with its founding principles and unlike any other senior military college in the United States, VMI enrolls cadets only and awards bachelor's degrees exclusively. The institute grants degrees in disciplines in engineering, science, and the liberal arts; and

WHEREAS, VMI has produced approximately 26,000 graduates during its 186 years of existence many of which have served the United States of America in the U.S. Navy, U.S. States Army, U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Marine Corps including over 285 graduates who have obtained the rank of general or flag officer; and

WHEREAS, VMI has over the years produced many citizen soldiers that have served not only in the military but have been leaders and contributors in medicine, law, engineering, liberal arts and business; and

WHEREAS, VMI, as a treasured part of the history of the Commonwealth of Virginia, has more than earned the right to govern itself under its own Board of Visitors as it has done for over 186 years;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Scott County, Virginia, that it states and confirms its strong opposition to the House Bill 1374 amending Title 23.1 of the Virginia Code dissolving the VMI Board of Visitors and placing VMI under the governance of the Board of Visitors of Virginia State University and accordingly urges the General Assembly to reject said legislation, a copy of which is attached to this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Administrator is directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Governor of Virginia and to the members of the Virginia General Assembly representing Scott County.

This Resolution was adopted by the Scott County Board of Supervisors on this the 4th day of March, 2026.

Voting aye: Darrel W. Jeter, L. Michele Glover, Eddie N. Skeen, Michael K. Brickey, Danny M. Casteel, Christopher S. Maness, and Stefanie C. Addington.

Voting nay: None.

Attest  CLERK

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