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Moved by: _____

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Seconded by: _____

RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE OF TENNESSEE TO AWARD THE LEAP 2.0 GRANT AND THE DRIVE TO 55 CAPACITY GRANT TO THE GREATER MEMPHIS MEDICAL DEVICE COUNCIL. SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER DAVID REAVES.

WHEREAS, The Greater Memphis Medical Device Council represents over forty medical device companies in the Greater Memphis Area, responsible for 7,000 jobs and 10,000 indirect jobs with an economic impact of \$2.6 Billion annually and generating over \$45 million in taxes; and

WHEREAS, The Memphis medical device industry's employment has grown 50% since 1999, more than four times the national average; and

WHEREAS, Shelby County is the second largest county in the United States for orthopedic device manufacturing; and

WHEREAS, The Memphis area currently boasts more than forty life science companies and is one of the State of Tennessee's most dynamic industries and largest exporting sector; and

WHEREAS, The Greater Memphis Medical Device Council (GMMDC) along with its partners have applied for the LEAP 2.0 Grant and the Drive to 55 Capacity Grant; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, That we do hereby urge and encourage the State of Tennessee to award the Greater Memphis Medical Device Council the LEAP 2.0 Grant and the Drive to 55 Capacity Grant.

Mark H. Luttrell, Jr.,
Shelby County Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Clerk of County Commission

ADOPTED: _____