

**RESOLUTION 2021-12**  
**“SECOND AMENDMENT SANCTUARY COUNTY”**

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the United States of America is the supreme law of our nation The Second Amendment to the Constitution states "A well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."; and  
WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of South Dakota in Article 6, Section 24 states, "Right to bear arms. The right of the citizens to bear arms in defense of themselves and the state shall not be denied."; and  
WHEREAS, the right of the citizens to keep and bear arms is guaranteed as an individual right under the Second Amendment to United States Constitution and under the Constitution of the State of South Dakota; and  
WHEREAS, the right of the citizens to keep and bear arms for the defense of Life, Liberty and Property is regarded as an inalienable right by the citizens of McPherson County, South Dakota; and  
WHEREAS, the citizens of McPherson County, South Dakota, derive economic benefit from all safe forms of firearm recreation, hunting and shooting conducted within McPherson County as allowed under the United States and South Dakota Constitutions; and  
WHEREAS, it is the desire of the McPherson County Board of County Commissioners to declare its support of the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America and Article 6, Section 24 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota protecting citizens' right to keep and bear arms; and  
WHEREAS, the members of the McPherson County Board of County Commissioners took an oath to support and defend the Constitutions of the United States and of the State of South Dakota.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the McPherson County Board of County Commissioners strongly supports the Second Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America and Article 6, Section 24 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota and that the Board strongly believes that it is the right of the citizens of McPherson County to keep and bear arms for the defense of life, liberty and property; and  
  
FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, to defend the rights and liberties of the citizens of McPherson County, the McPherson County Board of County Commissioners hereby declares: McPherson County, South Dakota a "Second Amendment Sanctuary County"

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2021

ATTEST:

Lindley Howard  
McPherson County Auditor

Anthony Kunz  
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Feickert moved for the adoption of Resolution Number 21-12, Beilke seconded the foregoing motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried and Resolution Number 21-12 was declared duly adopted.