

RESOLUTION 11-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WHITE HOUSE, TENNESSEE, STATING OPPOSITION TO ALL EFFORTS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS OR ANY AGENCY TO CHARGE FEES TO UTILITY ENTITIES WHICH PUMP WATER OUT OF OLD HICKORY LAKE OR ITS SUPPORTING WATER SOURCES

WHEREAS, the City of White House relies on the Cumberland River, Old Hickory Lake and Old Hickory Dam and the utility districts which serve the citizens of these cities and counties use these waterways as the source of water and services; and

WHEREAS, Old Hickory Lake and the supporting waterways have for decades been the source of natural collection of resources for the areas and have served as a priceless supply of water for our daily needs and activities; and

WHEREAS, this free natural resource should not become a source of income for the federal government nor an arbitrary tax or fee collected to pay for services not received nor used by the citizens of the City of White House; and

WHEREAS, the City of White House and the numerous citizens of its communities are concerned, not only for today's population and economic impact of additional costs, but how fees and the authority to charge same, could impact future generations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of White House meeting in regular session on this the 15th day of September, 2011 that this body firmly requests that any plan to charge a storage rate, tax, cost or withdrawal fee for the usage of water from Old Hickory Lake be brought to an end and prohibited; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any efforts, by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or any other federal agency, to create a charge or fee for the use or storage, be abandoned; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body strongly asks our leaders at the state and national level to oppose, through every means available, any efforts to charge a fee to any utility entity which pumps water out of Old Hickory Lake or its supporting water sources; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body further encourages our state and federal representatives to draft, present and support legislative to discontinue any such future plan.

Adopted this 15th day of September 2011.



Michael Arnold, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amanda Priest, City Recorder