

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSION TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER FOR THE NEW SIGNAL MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL AS A PART OF ITS BUDGET FOR THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the new Signal Mountain High School opened in August, 2008; and

WHEREAS, at this time there is no School Resource Officer assigned to the Signal Mountain High School; and

WHEREAS, the School Resource Officer plays an integral role in insuring the safety and security of students; and

WHEREAS, the School Resource Officer is a visible law enforcement presence on campus to deter, prevent, and respond to crime; and

WHEREAS, the School Resource Officer serves as a guest classroom instructor, teaching law-related and safety-related topics which are relevant to the school's learning goals. The School Resource Officer also serves as an informal advisor and conflict mediator to students; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Signal Mountain currently supplies a School Resource Officer for the Signal Mountain Middle School and Nolan and Thrasher Elementary Schools and will be unable to fund an additional School Resource Officer for the new high school; and

WHEREAS, the Signal Mountain Town Council would urge the Hamilton County Commission to provide students at the Signal Mountain High School with adequate funding for a School Resource Officer which is necessary for the operation of this new school.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Signal Mountain Town Council requests the Hamilton County Commission to provide funding for a School Resource Officer for the new Signal Mountain High School as a part of its budget for the 2009-2010 school year.



MAYOR



RECORDER

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