

RESOLUTION 26-11

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE CITY OF RIDGETOP
SUBMISSION
TO THE**

**TN DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM DEVELOPMENT FY27 TOURISM
ENHANCEMENT GRANT**

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Tourism Development Grant is to support eligible grantees in the creation or expansion of physical attractions, facilities, or events that are available and open to the public, improve the appeal of destinations to tourists, and enhance tourist experiences that are primarily promoted to or used by tourists; and

WHEREAS, the Wilson House Museum at Ridgetop Station Park is an important cultural and tourism asset that provides educational, historical, and recreational opportunities to residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the Tourism Development Grant provides funding of up to **\$100,000** per request and requires a **50/50 match**; and

WHEREAS, no other state or federal funds or in-kind contributions may be used to satisfy the required match, and grant funds will be provided through reimbursement for eligible expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the governing body finds that the proposed Wilson House Museum Improvements project is consistent with the purposes of the TN Department of Tourism Development FY 27 Tourism Enhancement Grant and will contribute to tourism development and the enhancement of tourist experiences.

WHEREAS, the City of Ridgetop now seeks to participate in this important program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND
ALDERMAN OF THE CITY OF RIDGETOP, TENNESSEE** the following:

SECTION 1. The City of Ridgetop Board of Mayor and Alderman hereby authorizes the submission of an application for Tourism Development Grant funding for the **Wilson House Museum Improvements** project.

SECTION 2. The requested grant amount shall not exceed **\$100,000**, with the project funded through the required **50/50 matching contribution**.

SECTION 3. The City of Ridgetop Board of Mayor and Alderman acknowledges that the required local match shall be provided from eligible non-state and non-federal sources and that no other state or federal funds or in-kind contributions will be used toward the match requirement.

SECTION 4. The City of Ridgetop Board of Mayor and Alderman understands that grant funds will be provided on a reimbursement basis for eligible project expenditures and agrees to comply with all applicable grant requirements, guidelines, reporting requirements, and conditions.

SECTION 5. The City of Ridgetop Board of Mayor and Alderman authorizes the appropriate official(s) to execute and submit the grant application and all necessary documents, certifications, agreements, and subsequent amendments or other documents required to administer the grant.

Resolved this 18th day of August in the year of 2026.

Mayor

City Recorder