A RESOLUTION relative to the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in Obergefell v. Hodges.

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2015, the U.S. Supreme Court issued an opinion in the case of Obergefell v. Hodges, 576 U.S. ___ (No. 14-556, 2015 WL 2473451 (June 26, 2015)); and

WHEREAS, two years earlier, in the case of Windsor v. United States, 570 U.S. ___ (2013), the U.S. Supreme Court said, "[t]he whole subject of the domestic relations of husband and wife, parent and child, belongs to the laws of the states, and not to the laws of the United States"; and

WHEREAS, the Obergefell decision raises serious constitutional issues regarding the constitutional doctrines of federalism and separation of powers; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that this body expresses its disagreement with the constitutional analysis in Obergefell v. Hodges and the judicial imposition of a marriage license law that is contrary to the express will of this body and the vote of the people of Tennessee.