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# Sale of Health Care Facilities

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## Private Acts of 1983 Chapter 3

WHEREAS, Franklin County, Tennessee, owns health care facilities consisting of a hospital, a nursing home, medical clinical offices, and an ambulance service; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of certain private acts, the health care facilities are located within the Franklin County general hospital district and are operated, managed and controlled by a board of trustees; and

WHEREAS, the board of county commissioners, as the duly constituted governing body of Franklin County, Tennessee, has determined that it is necessary, advisable and in the best interest of the citizens of Franklin County, Tennessee, that the health care facilities be sold in order to place the operation of the facilities on a more sound financial basis and to improve the quality of health care for the citizens of Franklin County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the board of county commissioners has reviewed the proposal of Methodist Health Systems, Inc. and believes that Methodist Health Systems, Inc. is the appropriate party to purchase the health care facilities and to insure their proper and continued operation; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

**SECTION 1.** The county legislative body is hereby authorized to sell the Franklin County hospital, the nursing home, medical clinical offices, ambulance service and all related facilities to a non-profit corporation, specifically Methodist Health Systems, Inc., upon such terms, including installment payments, as may be agreed upon by the county and the purchaser.

**SECTION 2.** Chapter 349 of the Private Acts of 1968, Chapter 290 of the Private Acts of 1972, Chapter 41 of the Private Acts of 1979, Chapter 13 of the Private Acts of 1981 and Chapter 73 of the Private Acts of 1981, are repealed.

**SECTION 3.** This Act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the county legislative body of Franklin County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the county legislative body and certified by him to the Secretary of State.

**SECTION 4.** For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this Act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective upon being approved as provided in Section 3.

Passed: February 24, 1983.

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