

RESOLUTION NO. 5-19**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MONACA SUPPORTING A
CITIZENS COMMISSION FOR LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL
REDISTRICTING**

WHEREAS: the citizens of the **Borough of Monaca** and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania deserve a fair, fully transparent, impartial and depoliticized process of the decennial drawing of State Legislature and Congressional Districts of near equal population; and

WHEREAS: legislative and congressional redistricting has at times resulted in gerrymandered districts that favor one political party over others; and

WHEREAS: such gerrymandering of legislative and congressional districts has worked at times to the detriment of our representative democracy; and

WHEREAS: the creation of a truly independent citizens redistricting commission devoid of political motivation or partisanship will: ensure a fair, transparent, and accurate legislative and congressional redistricting process that respects political subdivisions; prohibit districts from being drawn to favor or discriminate against a political party or candidate; require the use of impartial and sound methodology when setting district boundaries; require public input; and fully comply with the constitutional requirement that "No County, City, Incorporated Town, Borough, Township or Ward" be divided "unless absolutely necessary," and

WHEREAS: legislation to amend the Pennsylvania Constitution to reform the decennial legislative and congressional redistricting process with the intent of using fairness and sound methodology in a non-partisan fashion is required to ensure these reforms.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the **Borough of Monaca** does hereby support legislative efforts to amend the Pennsylvania Constitution to assign the decennial task of both legislative and congressional redistricting to an independent citizens' redistricting commission; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call upon all those elected officials and party leaders in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who represent the citizens of the **Borough of Monaca** to publicly announce their support of and commitment to work towards passage of such legislative efforts, and that a copy of this resolution be delivered to each of them

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I affix my hand and attach the seal of the Borough of Monaca.


RESOLVED this this 6th day of NOVEMBER 2019.

SEAL

Monaca Borough, Beaver County

Attest:


Mario N. Leone, Jr.
Borough Manager/Secretary


John Booher Jr.
President