

RESOLUTION 02-2020
A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FAIR
LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS IN PENNSYLVANIA

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Township of Packer and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania deserve a fair, fully transparent, and impartial process for drawing state legislative and congressional districts; 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 been to the detriment of our representative democracy; and,

WHEREAS, a truly independent citizens' redistricting commission would ensure a fair, transparent, and accurate legislative and congressional redistricting process that respects political subdivisions; prohibits districts from being drawn to favor or discriminate against a political party or candidate; requires public input; and complies 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 is required to ensure these reforms.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisors of Packer Township hereby support legislative efforts to amend the Pennsylvania Constitution to assign the task of both legislative and congressional redistricting to an independent citizens' redistricting commission; and

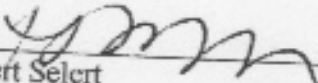
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call upon all those elected officials and party leaders in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who represent the citizens of Packer Township to announce their support of these legislative efforts, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to each of them, namely, Governor Tom Wolf, United States Representative Dan Meuser, Pennsylvania Senator John Yudichak and Pennsylvania Representative, Doyle Heflley..

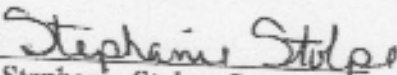
DULY ORDAINED this 7th day of April, 2020.

PACKER TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

BY: 
Cory Gerhard, Chairman

BY: 
Terry Davis

BY: 
Robert Selert

ATTEST: 
Stephanie Stolpe, Secretary