

**RESOLUTION 2019-9
TOWNSHIP OF STONYCREEK
CAMBRIA COUNTY
A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A CITIZENS COMMISSION FOR LEGISLATIVE AND
CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING**

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Stonycreek Township 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 Stonycreek Township Board of Commissioners signed below do 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



Donald Hanak, President Commissioner



Douglas Sedlemeyer, Vice President Commissioner

Thomas Callihan, Commissioner



Douglas Simmons, Commissioner

David Berkebile, Commissioner

BEIT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call upon all those elected officials and party leader the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who represent the citizens of Stonycreek Towns 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.

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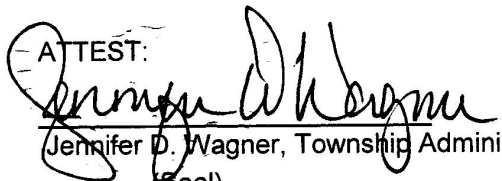
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ADOPTED and ENACTED at a duly assembled public meeting by the Township of Stonycreek,
Cambria County, Pennsylvania this 9th day of July, 2019.

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By: 
Donald Hanak, President

ATTEST:


Jennifer D. Wagner, Township Administrator
(Seal)