

**MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP**  
**DAUPHIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**RESOLUTION 2019-12**

**A RESOLUTION OF MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP, DAUPHIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, CALLING ON THE COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE TO REFORM LEGISLATIVE REDISTRICTING AND CONGRESSIONAL REAPPORTIONMENT**

**WHEREAS, the residents of Mifflin Township and the Commonwealth of PA 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 redistricting and congressional reapportionment 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 of 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, recent legislation has been introduced in the current legislative session to amend the Pennsylvania Constitution to reform the decennial redistricting process with the intent of using fairness and sound methodology in a non-partisan fashion.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mifflin Township Board of Supervisors calls upon the elected officials of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to support legislative efforts to secure expeditious action of a constitutional amendment that would, among other reforms, assign the decennial task of both legislative redistricting and congressional reappointment to an independent citizens redistricting commission.**

**Duly adopted this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 2019, by the Board of Supervisors of Mifflin Township, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.**

**MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP:**

**ATTEST:**

By: 



**CHAIRMAN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**TOWNSHIP SECRETARY**