

**LIBERTY TOWNSHIP
ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
RESOLUTION NO.: 2019-06**

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION TO INCREASE PREVAILING WAGE THRESHOLDS WHILE INCLUDING PROVISIONS FOR FUTURE ADJUSTMENTS AND ALLOWING CERTAIN MUNICIPAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXEMPTIONS WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

WHEREAS;

The Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, enacted in 1961 to purportedly protect Commonwealth workers from out-of-state competition, requires that the highest “local” wages and benefits be paid to contracted laborers, also known as the “prevailing wage” rate – which is typically the higher union rate – on government-financed construction projects with an estimated cost of \$25,000 or more when public funds are involved, and;

Higher labor costs mean higher construction costs – even as much as 30% higher – for improvements projects performed by our local municipal governments and school districts, whose revenue comes directly from the taxes of our residents, and;

In the preservation of the Public Trust given to our local leaders to safeguard the financial interests of our constituency, we should ensure that the lowest possible but fair costs of improvement projects, which are approved by our municipal and educational leaders, remain unfettered with mandates which create inefficient uses of our limited, local coffers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The Board of Supervisors of Liberty Township, Adams County seeks legislation to increase the \$25,000 threshold at which the Prevailing Wage Law currently applies, to an inflation adjusted amount of at least \$250,000 and continue to adjust for inflation in future years and to alternatively allow local governments and school districts to opt out of or be exempt from prevailing wage law requirements.

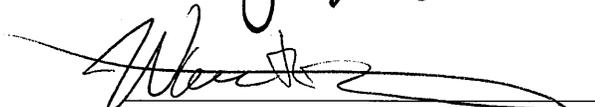
ENACTED AND RESOLVED THIS 3rd DAY OF DECEMBER 2019.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
LIBERTY TOWNSHIP



Chairman





Attested:



Wendy Peck, Secretary