NO. 1186

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A CITIZEN COMMISSION FOR LEGISLATIVE REDISTRICTING AND CONGRESSIONAL REAPPORTIONMENT

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Borough of Hanover, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deserve a fair, fully transparent, and impartial process of the decennial drawing of state legislature and congressional districts of near equal proportion; and

WHEREAS, the creation of an independent citizens redistricting commission will help to ensure a fair and accurate legislative and congressional redistricting process, will prohibit districts from being drawn to favor a political party or candidate, will promote transparency and the use of sound methodology, allow for public input, and will fully comply with the constitutional requirement that "no county, city, incorporated town, borough, township, or ward be divided unless absolutely necessary"; and

WHEREAS, legislation, namely Senate Bill 22 and House Bill 722, have been introduced in the current legislative session 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Hanover, York County, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, does hereby support legislative efforts to secure expeditious action to enact a constitutional amendment that would, among other reforms, assign the decennial task of both legislative and congressional redistricting to an independent citizens' redistricting commission; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be delivered to those elected officials who represent the citizens of the Borough of Hanover in the Pennsylvania Senate and House of Representatives.

RESOLVED, this 26th day of July 2017.

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF HANOVER

Dorothy C. Neiderer, Secretary

R. Daniel Noble, Council President

Approved this 26th day of July, A.D., 2017.

CERTIFICATION

I, Dorothy C. Neiderer, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Hanover Borough Council at their meeting held July 26, 2017.

Dorothy C. Neiderer, Borough Secretary