

RESOLUTION 18-04

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF HARRIS TOWNSHIP,
CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, SUPPORTING REFORM OF THE PROCESS
FOR LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING**

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Township of Harris and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania deserve a fair, fully transparent, impartial and depoliticized process of the decennial drawing of state legislative 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 Board of Supervisors are concerned that the recent court decision that split the Centre Region into two Congressional districts threatens the strong representation that the Region has always had in both Harrisburg and Washington, DC.; 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;

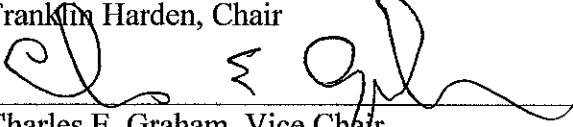
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Harris Township, Centre County, Pennsylvania, does hereby support legislative efforts to amend the Pennsylvania Constitution to end gerrymandering and to ensure a fair redistricting process that provides for equal representation for all citizens.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we call upon all those elected officials in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to enact reform prior to the next decennial redistricting.


RESOLVED AND ADOPTED on this 12th day of March, 2018.

HARRIS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

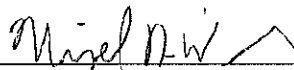

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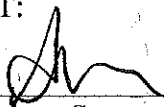

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