

UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP

CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-08

**AN RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A CITIZENS
COMMISSION FOR LEGISLATIVE AND
CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING**

WHEREAS, the citizens of Uwchlan 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 Uwchlan Township Board of Supervisor does 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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call upon all those elected officials in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who represent the citizens of Uwchlan Township (see list) 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.

- Governor Tom Wolf
- Lieutenant Governor Mike Stack
- Attorney General Josh Shapiro
- United States Senator Bob Casey
- United States Senator Pat Toomey
- Pennsylvania Senator John C. Rafferty, Jr.

- Pennsylvania Representative Becky Corbin
- Chester County Commissioner Kathi Cozzone
- Chester County Commissioner Terence Farrell
- Chester County Commissioner Michelle Kichline

RESOLVED AND APPROVED this 12th day of February, 2018.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF UWCHLAN
TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA



Bill Miller, Chair



Mayme Baumann, Vice-Chair


Kim Doan, Supervisor

Attest:



Katie Churchill, Township Secretary