

# West Hempfield Township

## RESOLUTION 19-2017

### A Resolution Honoring Frank Burkhart on His Retirement From the West Hempfield Township Board of Supervisors

**Whereas,** Frank R. Burkhart is retiring as a member of the Board of Supervisors of West Hempfield Township, Lancaster County, having served 44 continuous years of service to the citizens of West Hempfield Township; and

**Whereas,** Frank was born and grew up in the Farmersville area of Lancaster County until 1956, when he married his wife of 60 years, Doris (nee Metzler) and the couple moved to West Hempfield Township, where Frank and Doris purchased an 81-acre farm and set up making a home; and

**Whereas,** along zthe way, Frank and Doris raised five children, four daughters and one son, put the Word of God in their hand and taught them the importance of living a godly life; and

**Whereas,** in addition to farming, Frank was employed by his brother John in the excavating business and hauling propane for Ressler's Propane of Mountville, occupations that gave Frank an outlet for his expertise in machines and broadened his mechanical skills, knowledge Frank freely shared with the Board of Supervisors when considering equipment purchases for Township use; and

**Whereas,** Frank has served as Chairman and Vice Chairman of the West Hempfield Township Board of Supervisors, along with representing the Township on the Lancaster County Association of Township Supervisors board of directors; and

**Whereas,** Frank's agricultural background, especially his love for the land and the desire to conserve water and soil resources, led him to serve on the Board of the Lancaster County Conservation District, which he accomplished with distinction and devotion; and

**Whereas,** Frank was a faithful member of the Board of Supervisors, seldom missing a meeting unless he and Doris were on the road again, touring the US on a motorcycle with friends or vacationing in warmer climates; and

**Whereas,** Frank enjoyed the admiration and respect of his fellow Board members, Township staff, appointed Commission members, engineers, contractors, attorneys and others who had the opportunity to work with him, as all considered him a gentleman, and

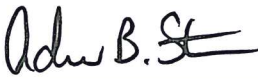
**Whereas,** Frank and Doris were long-time members of Chestnut Hill Mennonite congregation and would attend faithfully as a couple until Doris went to be with her Savior this summer;

**Now, therefore, be it resolved,** that this Board of Supervisors do now recognize Frank R. Burkhart on the occasion of his retirement from the Board of Supervisors and thank him for his 44 years of dedicated service to West Hempfield Township as a public servant; and be it further

**Resolved**, that this Board congratulate him on his retirement, wish him good health to enjoy his family and the life the Lord has set before him, and encourage his continued prayers and advice for this Board as we address the challenges of the future, as he has addressed and overcome the challenges of the past.

*Duly adopted and presented at a public meeting held on the 5th of December, 2017 A.D.*

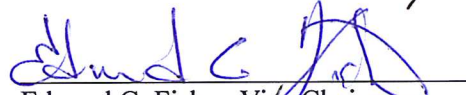
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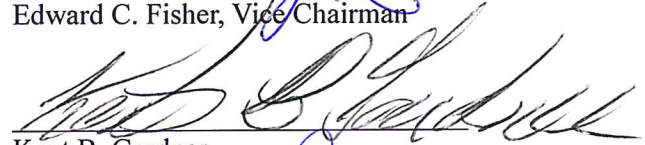
  
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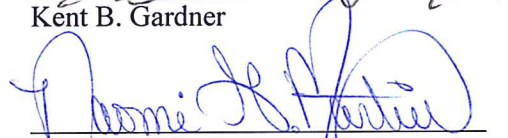


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