## TULPEHOCKEN TOWNSHIP, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-8**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TULPEHOCKEN, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA DECLARING ITS SUPPORT AND RECOGNITION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SECOND AMENDMENT OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AND ARTICLE I SECTION 21 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF PENNSYLVANIA PROVIDING THE RIGHTS OF CITIZENS TO BEAR ARMS

WHEREAS, the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution entitled "Right to Bear Arms" states "A well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed"; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Article I entitled "Declaration of Rights" Section 21 entitled "Right to Bear Arms" provides "The right of the citizens to bear arms in defense of themselves and the State shall not be questioned"; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Tulpehocken Township believes that the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania were founded on freedom for its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Tulpehocken Township believes that the right to bear arms is an important right guaranteed by the founding fathers of the United States and Pennsylvania by the United States Constitution and Amendments thereto and Constitution of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Tulpehocken Township believe the right to bear arms as afforded to United States citizens and Pennsylvania residents should be upheld; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of Tulpehocken Township desire to declare its support of the right of American and Pennsylvania citizens to bear arms.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Supervisors of Tulpehocken Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, that it supports the right to bear arms afforded citizens of the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by the Second Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America and Article I Section 21 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** by the Board of Supervisors of Tulpehocken Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, that the Second Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America and Article I Section 21 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania affording citizens of the United States and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania the right to bear arms is an important right that should be upheld.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if any provision, sentence, clause, section, or part of this Resolution shall for any reason be found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such

determination shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections, or parts of this Resolution, and it is hereby declared to be the intent of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Tulpehocken that this Resolution would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid provision, sentence, clause, section or part not been included herein.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all Resolutions or parts of Resolutions inconsistent with this Resolution are hereby superseded.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Board of Supervisors of Tulpehocken Township has adopted this Resolution in lawful session this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF TULPEHOCKEN TOWNSHIP, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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Chairman

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Secretary

## **CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Tulpehocken Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, which was fully adopted at a public meeting held pursuant to notice as required by law on the  $8^{th}$  day of July, 2020.

Secretary of Tulpehocken Township

Dated: July 8, 2020