Resolution Number 2013-17 Hamiltonban Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF HAMILTONBAN TOWNSHIP, ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ESTABLISHING A FIRE SERVICES/EMS TAX AND ESTABLISHING A FUND DISTRIBUTION AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE TAX.

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of Hamiltonban Township, is desirous of establishing a dedicated tax pursuant to the Pennsylvania Second Class Township Code to levy a tax to fund fire protection, and to fund ambulance, rescue and other emergency services, as authorized by sections 3205(a)(4) and (8) and to be know as the "Fire/EMS Tax"; and

WHEREAS, It is essential and necessary for the protection of the health, life and property of the residents of Hamiltonban Township that fire and emergency services be provided by the Township in accordance with the Second Class Township Code Section 607(1); and

WHEREAS, Such services will necessitate the expenditure of revenues for maintenance, operations, and equipment in excess of those which can be provided by the Township's regular tax levy; and

WHEREAS, The Township does not obtain sufficient revenue from its regular property tax levy to provide fire and emergency services. The funds obtained through the Fire/EMS Tax will be used to partially fund the four fire companies that service Hamiltonban Township which are Fountaindale Volunteer Fire Department, Fairfield Fire & EMS, Cashtown Community Fire Department and South Mountain Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Department; and

WHEREAS, In order to provide the revenue adequate to pay the cost of providing adequate fire and emergency services, the Township shall levy a .25 mil tax which shall be collected on an annual basis by the elected Township Tax Collector in the same manner that all Township real property taxes are levied and collected. The tax will be held in a separate fund and will only be used for the provision of fire and emergency services as requested by the four servicing fire companies as provided in the Memorandum of Understanding between the fire companies and Hamiltonban Township; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Board of Supervisors of Hamiltonban Township hereby adopts the aforementioned Fire/EMS Fund Budget, effective December 3, 2013.

Adopted December 3, 2013

ATTESTED BY:

Deborah K. Feiler

Secretary/Treasurer

Hamiltonban Township

Chairman Robert\L. Gordon

Chairman