

Resolution Number 2015-06
Hamiltonban Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania

A Resolution in support of the development of Industrial Hemp Cultivation.

WHEREAS, the history of hemp cultivation in the United States, along with its plethora of industrial uses, including but not limited to viable, economically-beneficial and environmentally-safer replacements for petroleum, pulpwood and other costly textiles, is well documented until its banning by U.S. industrial lobbyists of the 20th Century, and;

WHEREAS, The U.S. Agricultural Act of 2014 includes a provision that allows institutions of higher education and state departments of agriculture to grow or cultivate industrial hemp, and;

WHEREAS, Nineteen states: California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont and West Virginia currently have laws to provide for hemp pilot studies and/or for production as described by said Act, including eight of which have sponsored hemp resolutions and have laws to promote the growth and marketing of industrial hemp, and;

WHEREAS, Adams County has over 174K acres of active farm lands, and Pennsylvania has 7.8M acres of farmland, which would experience increased yields utilizing crop-rotation while creating job opportunities and profit-generation from Industrial Hemp cultivation, and as a partnership currently exists between The Pennsylvania State University and the County of Adams to promote agricultural programs designed to improve and maximize the utilization of our farmlands;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Supervisors of the Township of Hamiltonban hereby petitions the Representatives and Senators duly elected from our district to the Pennsylvania State and U.S. Congresses to support the passage of legislation to end the prohibition unduly imposed on the promotion, cultivation and marketing of Industrial Hemp and its applications within the borders of the state of Pennsylvania and the United States of America.

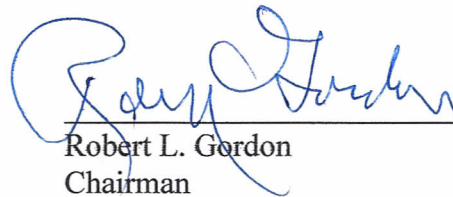
ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2015.

ATTESTED BY:

Board of Supervisors
Hamiltonban Township



Deborah K. Feiler
Secretary/Treasurer



Robert L. Gordon
Chairman