

**FOREST COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MEMBERSHIP
ORDINANCE NO. 04-2**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION BY
ESTABLISHING MEMBERSHIP IN THE FOREST COUNTY COUNCIL OF
GOVERNMENTS AND ESTABLISHING THE CONDITION OF SAID MEMBERSHIP
PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF ACT 177 OF 1996, 53 PA C.S.A. § 2301 et seq.,
AS AMENDED, OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**

WHEREAS, Act 177 of 1996, 53 PA C.S.A. § 2301 et seq., is the law governing intergovernmental cooperation within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the Forest County Council of Governments is the agency adopted by Howe Township to cooperate with other governmental or quasi-governmental units in the execution of those municipal functions deemed by Howe Township to be accomplished best through cooperation with other governments or quasi-governmental units; and

WHEREAS, Act 177 of 1996, 53 PA C.S.A. § 2301 et seq., intends that full recognition by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of an agent of intergovernmental cooperation requires said agent to be established by Ordinance by all cooperating units of government; and,

WHEREAS, Howe Township desires the Forest County Council of Governments to be as useful as possible to Howe Township and to the residents thereof;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF HOWE TOWNSHIP IN A REGULAR MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED, AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY AUTHORITY OF THE SAME:

Section 1. Membership

That Howe Township join and be a member of the Forest County Council of Governments.

Section 2. Condition of Agreement

That no action taken by the Forest County Council of Governments which creates a legal obligation, whether it be contractual, financial or otherwise upon a member municipality shall be binding upon a member municipality affected unless and until its municipal legislative body ordains, resolves or otherwise enacts the actions recommended by the Forest County Council of Governments, according to the procedure set forth in the appropriate municipal code and laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

ADOPTED, this 23rd day of June, 2004.

HOWE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST (SEAL):
