

NEWBERRY TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-21

**A RESOLUTION TO RATIFY AND CONFIRM
EMERGENCY ACTION TAKEN UNDER
RESOLUTION 2025-17 ENACTING AND LIFTING A
TEMPORARY OPEN BURNING BAN**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Newberry Township is responsible for ensuring the health, safety, and welfare of its residents; and

WHEREAS, due to ongoing dry weather conditions and the heightened risk of wildfires, the Board of Supervisors, in consultation with the Newberry Township Fire Chief and Emergency Management Coordinator, adopted **Resolution No. 2025-17** on March 30, 2025, which established a temporary ban on open burning within the Township; and

WHEREAS, this emergency measure included a prohibition on all open burning activities, including brush fires, campfires, burn barrels, debris burning, and the ignition or discharge of consumer or display fireworks; and

WHEREAS, the Board took this action in good faith to respond to an emergent public safety hazard, but acknowledges that the procedural requirements of the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act may not have been fully satisfied at the time of enactment; and

WHEREAS, on April 7, 2025, the Director of Newberry Township Public Safety, upon consultation with appropriate fire and emergency management personnel, formally lifted the burn ban following an assessment that conditions had sufficiently improved; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors now seeks to ratify and confirm both the enactment and the lifting of the temporary ban in order to ensure transparency, legal compliance, and the integrity of the Township's emergency response efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of Newberry Township, York County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Board hereby **ratifies and confirms** the actions taken on March 30, 2025, to enact a temporary ban on open burning under **Resolution No. 2025-17**, in response to an emergent fire safety threat.

SECTION 2. The Board further **ratifies and confirms** the lifting of the burn ban by the **Director of Newberry Township Public Safety** on **April 7, 2025**, following consultation with the Fire Chief and Emergency Management Coordinator.

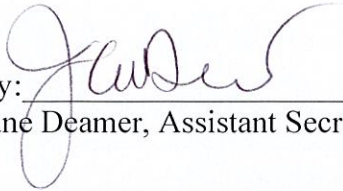
SECTION 3. All actions taken under **Resolution 2025-17** are affirmed as valid, necessary, and in the interest of the public's health, safety, and welfare.

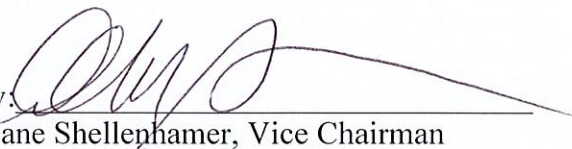
SECTION 4. This ratification shall be entered into the official minutes of the Board of Supervisors in accordance with the **Pennsylvania Sunshine Act, 65 Pa.C.S. § 706**, and **Section 602 of the Second Class Township Code, 53 P.S. § 65602**, and shall be made available for public inspection as required by law.

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED this 22 day of April 2025, by the Board of Supervisors of Newberry Township, York County, Pennsylvania.

ATTEST:

NEWBERRY TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By: 
Jane Deamer, Assistant Secretary

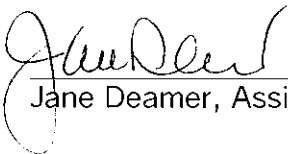
By: 
Diane Shellenhamer, Vice Chairman



CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Newberry, York County, Pennsylvania (the "Township"), certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the Township which was duly enacted by 3 to 0 affirmative vote majority of the members of the Board of Supervisors of the Township, at a regular meeting held on April 22, 2025, that said Resolution has been recorded in the Resolution Book of the Township; that said Resolution was duly published as required by law; and that said Resolution remains in effect, unaltered and unamended as of the date of this Certificate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I set my hand and affix the official seal of the Township on this 22nd day of April 2025.



Jane Deamer, Assistant Secretary