

RESOLUTION NO. 829

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENN, YORK COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA, SUPPORTING AMENDMENTS TO ACT 111 OF
1968, THE POLICEMEN AND FIREMEN COLLECTIVE
BARGAINING ACT

WHEREAS, Act 111 of 1968, referred to as the policemen and firemen collective bargaining act, or simply, Act 111, provides binding arbitration to police and fire union personnel in exchange for not being allowed to strike; and

WHEREAS, over the past 45 years, both pay and benefits for public safety personnel have increased to the point where they are at unsustainable levels; and

WHEREAS, in the Township of Penn the cost of providing public safety has risen by over 46% in recent years, with municipal taxpayers incurring the burden of these increasing public safety expenses through payment of the real property and earned income taxes; and

WHEREAS, Act 111 has not been evaluated or amended by the Pennsylvania General Assembly since its inception in 1968; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 1845 and Senate Bill 1111 both seek to amend Act 111 in a fair and meaningful manner without eliminating the rights of public safety personnel to bargain collectively; and

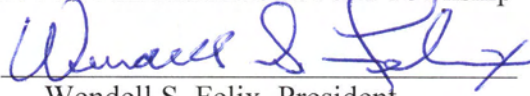
WHEREAS, the passage of House Bill 1845 or Senate Bill 1111 will make the current Act 111 collective bargaining process more transparent, fair, and balanced for municipalities, police and fire union personnel, and taxpayers.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved, that the Township of Penn supports meaningful and common sense reforms to Act 111 that will result in an affordable and stable public safety workforce, and

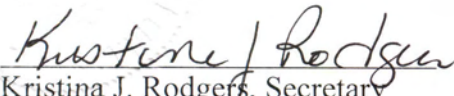
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township of Penn supports the passage of House Bill 1845 and Senate Bill 1111 during this legislative session.

RESOLVED AND ENACTED, this 19th day of May 2014.

Board of Commissioners of Penn Township

By: 
Wendell S. Felix, President

Attest:


Kristina J. Rodgers, Secretary