[NAME OF MUNICIPALITY] [NAME OF COUNTY], PENNSYLVANIA RESOLUTION NO. ____

RESOLUTION OF THE OF MUNICIPALITY] Α [NAME REQUESTING THE COMMONWEALTH OF **PENNSYLANIA** RESTORE FUNDING FOR THE LAND USE PLANNING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LUPTAP) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND **ECONOMIC** DEVELOPMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009 LEVEL OF \$4.173 MILLION.

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's local governments have the responsibility to evaluate and address community needs thorough sound planning and implementation activities; and

WHEREAS, sound planning enhances long-term decision-making and directs and stimulates millions of dollars of federal, state and local government funds and revenue while creating a positive environment for private sector investment; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Community and Economic Development provides financial and technical support to local governments for planning initiatives through the Land Use Planning and Technical Assistance Program ("LUPTAP"); and

WHEREAS, The LUPTAP program is the only program that matches local government resources with state funds to develop comprehensive land use and transportation plans, multi-municipal plans and the critical updates necessary to address emerging patterns of growth or stagnation; and

WHEREAS, funding for the LUPTAP program was cut from \$4.173 Million in the 2008-2009 state budget to \$375,000 in the 2009-2010 budget and is proposed to be further cut LUPTAP to \$371,000 in the Governor's proposed 2010-2011 budget; and

WHEREAS, such reductions will limit the ability of local government to fulfill an essential function of government and further the divisions inherent to the Commonwealth between municipalities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this [DATE] that the [NAME OF MUNICIPALITY] supports and endorses the restoration of funding of LUPTAP of the Department of Community and Economic Development to the fiscal year 2008-2009 level of \$4.173 million.

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ATTEST:	
[NAME/TITLE OF ADMINISTRATOR]	[NAME/TITLE OF OFFICIAL]