

**WORCESTER TOWNSHIP
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

RESOLUTION NO. 2008- 21

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION OF WORCESTER TOWNSHIP IN THE ACQUISITION BY THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY LANDS TRUST OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS TO APPROXIMATELY 81.1 ACRES OF LAND IN WORCESTER TOWNSHIP, OWNED BY WILLIAM J. MORAN, IV, MIQUELA L. MORAN, EXECUTRIX OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM J. MORAN, III AND ELIZABETH MORAN, TO BE PRIMARILY FUNDED BY THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY LANDS TRUST AND THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES.

WHEREAS, one of the highest priorities of the Worcester Township Open Space Plan is the acquisition and preservation of undeveloped land as open space in Worcester Township; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Lands Trust entered into an Agreement of Sale for Development Rights on the Moran property to restrict and limit the further use and development of the entire 81.1 +/- acres for the purpose of preserving the agricultural fields, woodlands, and natural areas on the property; and

WHEREAS, the total purchase price for the development rights was Two Million Thirty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,030,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Lands Trust estimates that the total cost of acquiring the development rights on the Moran property will be Two Million Eighty-four Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-eight and 75/100 Dollars (\$2,084,768.75); and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Lands Trust and the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources have agreed to provide the following funding for the purchase:

Montgomery County Lands Trust	\$1,038,946.88
Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources	\$717,752.30.

WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Lands Trust and the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources seek a contribution from Worcester Township in the amount of Three Hundred Thirty-seven Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-eight and 95/100 Dollars (\$337,238.95), or approximately 16% of the total estimated cost, to fund the remaining portion of the estimated total project cost; and

WHEREAS, several years ago, Worcester Township established a Township Open Space Fund, which has received numerous individual contributions designated for use by the Township to acquire and preserve open space within Worcester Township; and

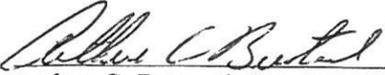
WHEREAS, the Worcester Township Board of Supervisors believe that the acquisition of development rights for the purpose of preserving the agricultural fields, woodlands, and natural areas on the Moran property is consistent with the purposes behind the establishment of the Township Open Space Fund, the Township's Open Space Plan, and is in the best interest of the citizens of Worcester Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

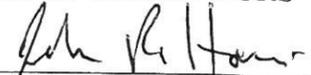
1. The Board of Supervisors of Worcester Township hereby authorizes the expenditure of Three Hundred Thirty-seven Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-eight and 95/100 Dollars (\$337,238.95) from the Worcester Township Open Space Fund for the acquisition of the development rights on the Moran property (being Montgomery County Tax Parcel 67-00-01672-00-7) as described above pursuant to the terms of an Agreement of Sale by and between William J. Moran, IV, Miquela L. Moran, Executrix of the Estate of William J. Moran, III, and Elizabeth Moran and the Montgomery County Lands Trust specifically conditioned upon the receipt of funding to assist in the purchase of the development rights from the Montgomery County Lands Trust and the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources in the amounts of \$1,038,946.88 and \$717,752.30 respectively.
2. The Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes any of its members to execute all agreements, documents and paperwork necessary, subject to the review and approval of the Township Solicitor, to complete the acquisition of the development rights on the Moran property as described above pursuant to the terms of the Agreement of Sale by and between William J. Moran, IV, Miquela L. Moran, Executrix of the Estate of William J. Moran, III, and Elizabeth Moran and the Montgomery County Lands Trust.

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED THIS 1ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 2008.

ATTEST:


Arthur C. Bustard, Secretary

WORCESTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: 
John Harris, Chairman