

**WORCESTER TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-18**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WORCESTER TOWNSHIP TO COMMIT FUNDS FOR AN AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON PROPERTY LOCATED ALONG WENTZ CHURCH ROAD AND OWNED BY ALDO J. CUCÉ, JEAN M. CUCÉ, AND FRANK CUCÉ.**

**WHEREAS, ALDO J. CUCÉ, JEAN M. CUCÉ, AND FRANK CUCÉ, ("Grantors")** are the owners certain land located along Wentz Church Road in Worcester Township, which land is more particularly identified as Montgomery County Tax Parcel Nos. 67-00-00116-609 and 67-00-04024-022 (the "Property"); and

**WHEREAS,** the Grantors have applied to the Montgomery County Agricultural Land Preservation Board ("Farm Board") regarding the sale of an agricultural conservation easement on the Property; and

**WHEREAS,** the Farm Board has designated the Property as a priority for farmland preservation; and

**WHEREAS,** the Farm Board has completed an appraisal to determine the value of the agricultural conservation easement on the Property, which amount is the maximum offer permitted to be made to Owners for the purchase of the easement; and

**WHEREAS,** Act 138 of 1998 amends the Agricultural Area Security Law to allow a municipality to be a partner in holding an agricultural conservation easement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of Worcester Township has been notified that, through the proposed sale of an agricultural conservation easement, the Property may become permanently preserved for agriculture by the Farm Board and that the Township may contribute funds toward the purchase of that easement pursuant to Act 138; and

**WHEREAS**, the County shall be responsible for completing all steps in the procedure to finalize the purchase and preservation of the easement on the Property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township acknowledges that a formal offer from the Farm Board may be rejected by the Owners, in which case the Township may withdraw any financial commitment authorized by this Resolution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that:

1. The Board of Supervisors of Worcester Township hereby authorizes the contribution of One Hundred Twenty-six Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-eight and 00/100 Dollars (\$126,898) for the purchase of an agricultural conservation easement on certain property located on Wentz Church Road, which property is owned by Aldo J. Cucé, Jean M. Cucé, and Frank Cucé and more particularly identified as Montgomery County Tax Parcel Nos. 67-00-00116-609 and 67-00-04024-022.
2. Upon adoption of this Resolution, the Farm Board may send a formal written offer to the Owners for the purchase of the aforementioned agricultural conservation easement, which written offer shall include the Township's contribution and a contribution from the County of no less than \$719,088.00.
3. The contribution authorized by this Resolution is specifically conditioned upon the Owner's acceptance of the aforementioned written offer and shall be considered withdrawn if the Owners reject the offer.

**APPROVED** this 19th day of August, 2009, by the Board of Supervisors of Worcester Township.

**WORCESTER TOWNSHIP**

By:   
**Arthur C. Bustard**, Chairman  
Board of Supervisors

Attest:   
**John R. Harris**, Vice Chairman