LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. LNT-18-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER NAZARETH, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 607 FOR THE USE OF RADAR TECHNOLOGIES BY LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SPEED CONTROL

WHEREAS, Lower Nazareth Township is a Second Class Township in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with an estimated population of 6,648; and

WHEREAS, Lower Nazareth Township is a member of Colonial Regional Police Department; and

WHEREAS, one of the primary functions of local government is to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the residents and the public traveling through the community; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lower Nazareth Township receives consistent complaints from constituents regarding excessive speeding on Township and State roads; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative to provide local police departments with the appropriate tools in order to enhance their ability to improve safety in the community and on our roads; and

WHEREAS, the use of radar technologies is the most accurate and reliable method utilized to determine vehicle speed; and

WHEREAS, radar technologies have been utilized by the Pennsylvania State Police since 1961 for the purpose of monitoring speed on public roads; and

WHEREAS, the use of radar technologies by local police departments will improve police performance in monitoring and reducing speeding on roads within the Township, which increases the safety of the traveling public; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is the only state that does not permit radar technology use by local police departments for the purpose of monitoring speeding on public roads.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED on this 10th day of July, 2019, the Lower Nazareth Township Board of Supervisors urges the Pennsylvania Legislature to adopt legislation that will permit local police departments to utilize radar technology for the purpose of monitoring speed on public roads in order to increase safety on public roads.

LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

Tammi Dravecz, Secretary/Treasurer