LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. LNT-21-19

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE NORTHAMPTON COUNTY OPEN SPACE INITIATIVE LIVABLE LANDSCAPES GRANT PROGRAM ON BEHALF OF LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING RECREATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING A WALKING TRAIL AND SMALL BATHROOM AT 4600 GREMAR ROAD.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lower Nazareth Township recognizes that the Township contains natural areas that contribute to the quality of life and economic health of our community which are worth for preservation; and

WHEREAS, the Northampton County Council adopted Ordinance #603-2015, titled, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING "THE LIVABLE LANDSCAPES – AN OPEN SPACE PLAN PROGRAM FOR NORTHAMPTON COUNTY AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE 21st CENTURY OPEN SPACE INITIATIVE" on January 7, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the program provides for funding grants that may be used by the municipality to acquire land, protect significant natural areas and rehabilitate degraded and underutilized lands that are important examples of Northampton County's natural heritage; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lower Nazareth Township desires to fully develop the property as a community park for the benefit and enjoyment of the community; and

WHEREAS, as part of the development of the community park, the Board of Supervisors of Lower Nazareth Township desires to create a community park that will be utilized by people of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Lower Nazareth wishes to participate in the Livable Landscapes Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lower Nazareth Township proposes to construct an ADA-compliant bathroom facility and a walking trail; and

WHEREAS, Lower Nazareth Township will have the required match of \$291,038.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Lower Nazareth Township, Northampton County Pennsylvania approves the filing of an application for funds under the Livable Landscapes Grant Program and hereby requests a Livable Landscapes grant of \$150,000.00 from Northampton County to be used for the purpose of installing a walking trail and a small ADA-compliant bathroom facility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate Lori A. Stauffer, Township Manager as the official to execute all documents and agreements between Lower Nazareth Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania and Northampton County to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

DULY ADOPTED, this ______ day of ______, 2019, by a majority of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Lower Nazareth, Northampton County, Pennsylvania.

LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

Tammi Dravecz, Secretary/Treasurer

James Pennington, Chairman