

# ***WILLIAMS TOWNSHIP***

## ***BOARD OF SUPERVISORS***

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-11**

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY LOIS A. OLEKSA**

**WHEREAS**, the Williams Township Board of Supervisors wishes to preserve in perpetuity real property owned by Lois A. Oleksa (the "Owner") located on 130 Steely Hill Road, Williams Township, Northampton County Tax Parcel ID Nos. P9/15/3A 0836 and P9/16/4 0836 consisting of approximately 22.55 acres (the "Property"), in accordance with the Township's Open Space Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township and/or Owners obtained an appraisal or appraisals establishing the fair market value of the Conservation Easement and the purchase price of the Conservation Easement does not exceed the fair market value established by the appraisal(s) in accordance with Section 1503(e) of the Second Class Township Code, 53 P.S. §66503(e); and

**WHEREAS**, Section 1503(e) of the Second Class Township Code, 53 P.S. §66503 authorizes the Township to acquire interests in real estate; and

**WHEREAS**, Heritage Conservancy, Inc. shall be the holder of the Conservation Easement and Williams Township shall be the co-holder of the Conservation Easement; and

**WHEREAS**, to carry out the foregoing-described purpose, it is necessary that the Township pays the purchase price of the conservation easement on the Property stated herein and provide authorization for execution of the documents necessary to acquire the easement.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Supervisors of Williams Township, Northampton County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

1. Williams Township shall purchase a conservation easement of approximately 22.55 acres from Lois A. Oleksa on the Property known as 130 Steely Hill Road, Williams Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, Northampton County Tax Parcel ID Nos. P9/15/3A 0836 and P9/16/4 0836 at a cost of \$ 341,615.90 which includes closing costs and the Stewardship and Baseline Documentation Fees paid to Heritage Conservancy, Inc.

2. The documents necessary to complete this transaction shall be prepared to the satisfaction of the Township Solicitor. The Board of Supervisors authorizes the Chairperson of the Board or any member of the Board or Township Manager to execute all necessary documents, agreements and settlement statements on behalf of the Township.

3. The Conservation Easement shall be recorded in the Northampton County Recorder of Deeds office.

4. By this Resolution, the Board of Supervisors hereby accepts the grant of the Conservation Easement from Lois A. Oleksa.

**RESOLVED, ADOPTED, and APPROVED**, this 10th day of April, A.D. 2024 at a regular public meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Williams Township.

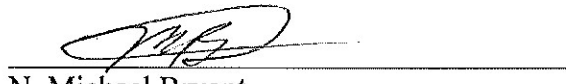
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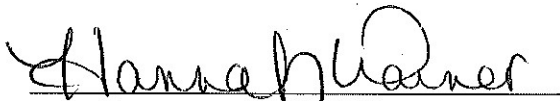


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N. Michael Bryant

ATTEST:

  
Hannah Warner, Secretary