

**BOROUGH OF SCHWENKSVILLE  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**RESOLUTION 2020-08**

**A RESOLUTION TO RATIFY AN EMERGENCY DECLARATION**

**WHEREAS**, on or about Monday, March 9, 2020, a health emergency, specifically a pandemic resulting from the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (aka COVID-19) has caused or threatens to cause injury, damage, and suffering to the persons and property of Schwenksville Borough; and

**WHEREAS** Governor Tom Wolf issued an emergency declaration for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, relative to the many dangers imposed by the novel coronavirus (COVID-19); and,

**WHEREAS** Governor Tom Wolf issued an Emergency Order closing all non-essential businesses and a subsequent order for Montgomery County Residents to Stay Home; and

**WHEREAS**, the health emergency has endangered the health, safety and welfare of a substantial number of people residing and or working in Schwenksville Borough, and threatens to create problems greater in scope than problems Schwenksville Borough may be able to resolve; and

**WHEREAS**, emergency management measures are required to reduce the severity of this disaster and to protect the health, safety and welfare of affected residents in Schwenksville Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, Schwenksville Borough Council and Mayor issued an initial Declaration of Disaster Emergency on March 12, 2020; and

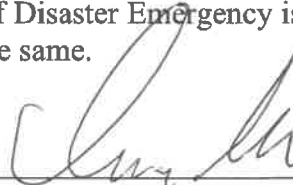
**WHEREAS**, the Pandemic continues to spread and accelerate including to known cases of COVID-19 residing in Schwenksville Borough;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, effective retroactively to March 12, 2020, and until the above-noted emergency declaration for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is lifted, or by a motion adopted by the Schwenksville Borough Council, whichever first occurs, Borough Council, pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, (35 PA C.S., Section 7501), as amended, do hereby declare the existence of a disaster emergency declaration in Schwenksville Borough;

**AND FURTHER**, I/we direct the Schwenksville Borough Emergency Management Coordinator and/or Borough Manager, as appropriate, to coordinate the activities of the emergency response, to take all appropriate action needed to alleviate the effects of this disaster, to aid in the restoration of essential public services, and to take any other emergency response action deemed necessary to respond to this emergency or make decisions for response to this emergency;

**STILL FURTHER**, I/we authorize the Borough Manager and officials of Schwenksville Borough to act as necessary to meet the current exigencies of this emergency, including but not limited to the employment of temporary workers, by the rental of equipment, by the purchase of supplies and materials, by the establishment of policies and methods to permit the conduct of remote public meetings, public comment and attendance at remote public meetings, the use of electronic signatures and such other measures that are necessary to properly safeguard the health of meeting attendees, and by entering into such contracts and agreements for the performance of public work as may be required to meet the emergency and by taking what action may be necessary to make expedient decisions, all without regard to those time-consuming procedures and formalities normally prescribed by law, mandatory constitutional requirements excepted.

Resolved this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020, this Declaration of Disaster Emergency is a continuation of the first adopted March 12, 2020 and is retroactive to the same.



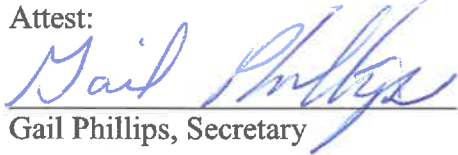
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Darren Rash, Council President

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Joseph Giunta, Mayor

Attest:



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Gail Phillips, Secretary