MT. LEBANON, PENNSYLVANIA
RESOLUTION NO. R-10-14

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 1340
AND HOUSE BILL 1272 ENABLING MUNICIPAL POLICE
TO USE THE SAME MOTOR VEHICLE SPEED-TIMING
EQUIPMENT AS THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE

Whereas, public protection is a principal reason why municipalities are established and exist; and

Whereas, municipal police and the Pennsylvania State Police are statutorily authorized to protect the public, primarily through the enforcement of the Crimes Code and Motor Vehicle Code; and

Whereas, all of the tools of law enforcement that are statutorily available to the Pennsylvania State Police are also statutorily available to municipal police, with one notable exception, that being radar.

Whereas, Pennsylvania is the only state in the United States of America that prohibits local police from using a common and effective piece of speed-timing equipment that the Pennsylvania State Police are permitted to use; and

Whereas, Pennsylvania has the distinction as the state with the 3rd highest number of speed-related vehicle fatalities and the 2nd highest percentage of speed-related vehicle fatalities in the country.

Now therefore, the Council of the Municipality of Mt. Lebanon calls upon its State Senator and Representative to support Senate Bill 1340 and House Bill 1272 which would enable municipal police to use the same motor vehicle speed-timing equipment as the Pennsylvania State Police.

ADOPTED this 28th day of April 2014.

ATTEST:

Secretary/Manager

MT. LEBANON, PENNSYLVANIA

President
Mt. Lebanon Commission