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## RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF DAUPHIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING DAUPHIN COUNTY TO BE LISTED AS A MEMBER OF FUND THE FUND CAMPAIGN SUPPORTING LEGISLATION TO FUND THE PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING AFFORDABILITY AND REHABILITATION ENHANCEMENT FUND.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-2015

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement Fund (PHARE) was established by Act 105 of 2010 (the "PHARE Act") to provide the mechanism by which certain allocated state or federal funds, as well as funds from other outside sources, would be used to assist with the creation, rehabilitation and support of affordable housing throughout the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Program funds include all allocations distributed to and grants received by the Commonwealth from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development pursuant to the Housing Trust Fund, established in section 1338 of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (Public Law 110-289, 122 Stat. 2654), and funds from sources other than the Commonwealth that are provided for the program established under 35 P.S. § 1680.401d et.seq., as well as funds specifically appropriated by the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, PHARE got its first funding source when Act 13, the Marcellus Shale Impact Fee, was passed in February 2012, but that funding is limited to counties with shale wells; and

WHEREAS, in its first three years of funding, PHARE has invested \$26 million and leveraged \$191 million in other funds, and has helped 2,786 households throughout Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, 60% of the homes in Pennsylvania are more than 45 years old; and

WHEREAS, 55% of the homes in Dauphin County are more than 45 years old; and

WHEREAS, PHARE promotes the health, safety and welfare of Pennsylvanians through expanding the current range of homes, preserving the existing housing stock and increasing each Pennsylvanian's ability to live in a home they can afford, further increasing the availability or quality of housing for senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, PHARE develops and rehabilitates distressed neighborhoods, encourages mortgage or rental assistance, including housing counseling, foreclosure prevention and refinancing products, and provides low-interest loans or grants to families for repairs and improvements to increase the livability of the home allowing for safe and sanitary dwellings for sale or rent for families; and

WHEREAS, PHARE is now in its third year, and has embarked on a statewide funding campaign tied to growth in revenue from the state portion of Realty Transfer Tax; and

WHEREAS, proposed legislation will allow for funding as follows: as the real estate market picks up and revenue from the Realty Transfer Tax increases, PHARE would receive 40% of the increase capped at \$25M each year.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, that:

- The Board of Commissioners supports FUND the FUND Campaign Supporting Legislation to fund the Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement Fund.
- 2. The Chairman of the Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the signing and submission of the FUND the FUND Campaign Endorsement Form.

Approved the 25th day of March, 2015

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
THE COUNTY OF DAUPHIN

Jef# Haste, Chairman

Mike Pries, Vice Chairman

George . Hartwick, III, Secretary

Chad Saylor

Chief Clerk/Chief of Staff



## **FUND the FUND Campaign Endorsement Form**

PHARE IS WORKING! It's time to build on that success and make PHARE statewide – The proposal is simple: As the real estate market picks up and revenue from the Realty Transfer Tax increases, PHARE would receive 40% of the increase capped at \$25M each year – without raising taxes or fees and without a new tax or fee! It's a win-win-win: create more homes within reach, revitalize communities, and strengthen the real estate market.

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By signing and submitting this form, your organization gives permission for the Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania to list your organization as a member of the FUND the FUND Campaign and to use your organization's name in materials and discussions related to the Campaign and its goals. You may revoke this permission at any time by writing to the Housing Alliance. Your signature also signifies that you have the authority to commit the organization as an endorser.  Signed:  Signe

Thank you! Please fax to 215-887-8638 or email to <a href="mailto:info@housingalliancepa.org">info@housingalliancepa.org</a>.

For more information, call the Housing alliance of PA at 215-576-7044 or go to www.HousingAlliancePa.org