



## THE BOROUGH OF BRENTWOOD

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### RESOLUTION NO. 2014 - 42

**“A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BRENTWOOD, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY AND COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 1340 AND HOUSE BLL 1271 ENABLING MUNICIPAL POLICE TO USE THE SAME MOTOR VEHICLE SPEED-TIMING EQUIPMENT AS THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE”**

**WHEREAS**, The Borough of Brentwood in an effort to provide a safe community stressed public protection as a principal reason why municipalities are established and exist; and,

**WHEREAS**, the 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 available to the Pennsylvania State Police are also available to municipal police, with one notable exception, that being radar, and

**WHEREAS**, Pennsylvania is the only Commonwealth in the United States of America that gives its municipal police a law enforcement mandate and then prohibits them from using a common and effective piece of speed-timing equipment that the Pennsylvania State Police are permitted to use; and

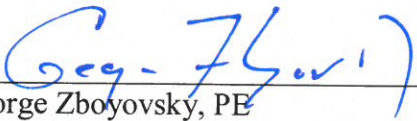
**WHEREAS**, the inability of municipal police to use radar has resulted in uneven enforcement of the maximum speed laws across Pennsylvania, as well as contributed to Pennsylvania’s distinction as the state with the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest number of speed-related vehicle fatalities and the 2nd highest percentage of speed-related vehicle fatalities in the country, and

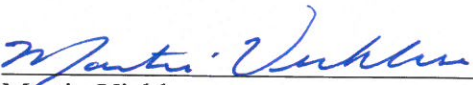
**NOW, THEREFORE**, By the Council of the Borough of Brentwood, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and it is hereby calls upon its State Senator and Representative to support Senate Bill 1340 and House Bill 1272 which would enable municipal police to use the same motor vehicle speed-timing equipment as the Pennsylvania State Police.

**RESOLVED AND ADOPTED** by the Council of the Borough of Brentwood, County of Allegheny and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, meeting in regular and public session, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

**ATTEST:**

**BOROUGH OF BRENTWOOD**

  
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George Zboyovsky, PE  
Borough Manager

  
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Martin Vickless  
President of Council