## RESOLUTION2014-16

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

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

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

WHEREAS, all of the tools of law enforcement available to Pennsylvania State Police are also available to municipal police with one notable exception, that being radar; and

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

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

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT ON AUGUST 4, 2014, THAT THE COUNCIL OF BOROUGH OF MILFORD CALLS UPON MEMBERS OF SENATE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND SPECIFICALLY SENATOR LISA BAKER AND REPRESENTATIVE MICHAEL PEIFER TO SUPPORT SENATE BILL 1340 AND HOUSE BILL 1272 WHICH BILLS WOULD ENABLE ALL MUNICIPAL POLICE TO USE SAME MOTOR VEHICLE SPEED-TIMING EQUIPMENT AS PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE.

ADOPTED THIS DAY 4 OF AUGUST 2014.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY- LIZANNE SAMUELSON

MILFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

PRESIDENT- JAMES PRICE

MAYOR- ROBERT "BO" FEAN