

RESOLUTION NO. ___ OF 2017

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF FREEDOM TOWNSHIP, ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REGARDING
PLACEMENT ON THE BALLOT OF A REFERENDUM QUESTION SET FORTH IN
SECTION 66549(B) OF THE SECOND CLASS TOWNSHIP CODE**

WHEREAS, the Second Class Township Code provides:

The township supervisors may, or upon the petition of a number of electors of the township equal to at least twenty-five percent of the highest number of votes for a public office of the township at the last preceding municipal election shall, adopt a resolution directing the county board of elections to place a referendum question on the ballot for the primary or general election, with respect to the conducting of live horse race meets by licensed corporations with the township. The question shall be in the following form:

Shall live horse race meets conducted by licensed corporations be prohibited within the area of fifty air miles from the center of an existing, currently licensed racetrack?

53 P.S. § 66549(b); and

WHEREAS, the Township has received a petition from electors of the Township in a number than exceeds 25% of the highest number of votes cast for a public office of the Township in the last preceding municipal election, which election was held in 2015 and at which the highest number of votes received by a candidate for office was 186 votes; and

WHEREAS, the proposed racetrack, generally known as "Mason-Dixon Downs," is located 49.5 air miles from the center of the Penn National Race Course, which holds a current license issued by the Pennsylvania Racing Commission pursuant to the Race Horse Industry Reform Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 66549(b) mandates that the Board of Supervisors adopt this resolution in consideration of the facts recited herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Freedom Township that, by adoption of this Resolution, it directs the Adams County Board of Elections to place the referendum question, stated below, on the ballot for the November 2017 election.

Shall live horse race meets conducted by licensed corporations be prohibited within the area of fifty air miles from the center of an existing, currently licensed racetrack?

ADOPTED this ___ day of _____, 2017.

ATTEST:

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP

Secretary

By: _____
Chairman, Board of Supervisors