

BOROUGH OF COLLEGEVILLE

RESOLUTION NO.

SUPPORT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

WHEREAS, the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA)'s ability to operate safe, frequent, reliable transit service is an invaluable, irreplaceable, and foundational service for the Collegeville Borough community, for Collegeville Borough's local economy, and for the ability of Collegeville Borough residents to move around southeastern Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, SEPTA's role in our communities extends beyond transportation. By providing an efficient alternative to car travel, SEPTA helps reduce air pollution, contributing to cleaner air and better health outcomes for our residents. Reliable public transit also ensures safe and accessible transportation for everyone, including our most vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, SEPTA is a key driver of economic growth. A robust transit system attracts businesses, creates jobs, and stimulates local economies. It enhances the region's appeal to investors and **supports** workforce mobility, connecting people to job opportunities, healthcare appointments, boosting productivity; and transports Collegeville Borough residents as they commute to work; and

WHEREAS, funding for SEPTA and other transit agencies in Pennsylvania has stagnated while costs have escalated, a situation that threatens to impose service cuts of up to 45 percent and fare increases of over 20 percent on SEPTA riders; and

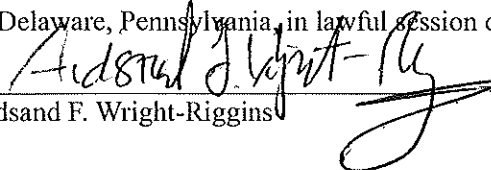
WHEREAS, these cuts would be devastating to the Collegeville Borough community, eliminating routes serving the Borough, and fundamentally altering the everyday lives of countless Collegeville Borough residents, workers, and business owners; and

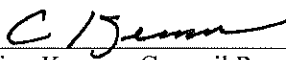
WHEREAS, Collegeville Borough Council envisions a different future for SEPTA, in which local, regional, and state policymakers work together to address SEPTA's immediate funding crisis, avert an impending transit disaster, and ultimately rebuild a stronger, more comfortable, more reliable system, with 15-minute frequencies and regular, all-day service; and

WHEREAS, Collegeville Borough Council believes it is vital that the Pennsylvania Governor and the General Assembly budget for transit, and is committed to working together with our local, regional, and state partners to deliver transit solutions that serve our residents and businesses and improve our quality of life;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Collegeville Borough Council strongly supports efforts to establish permanent, dedicated, sustainable, non-regressive funding sufficient to restore service for the entire SEPTA network, and, ultimately, to expand service and achieve a frequent, safe, reliable system for all riders.

DULY ADOPTED this 9th of July, 2025 by the Borough Council of the Borough of Collegeville, County of Delaware, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.


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Catherine Kernen, Council President

ATTEST:

Tamara D. Twardowski, Borough Manager/Secretary