

HATFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 25-11

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SEPTA 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 Hatfield Township, for Hatfield Township's local economy, and for the ability of Hatfield Township's residents to move around southeastern Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, SEPTA transports Hatfield Township residents as they commute to work, visit friends and family, travel to shops and restaurants, and meet their day-to-day transportation needs — while also helping sustain our local businesses by bringing people into Hatfield Township; and

WHEREAS, Hatfield Township is directly served by three SEPTA train stations — Colmar, Fortuna, and Link Belt — which are critical access points for regional transportation and economic connectivity; 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 Hatfield Township community, fundamentally altering the everyday lives of countless Hatfield Township residents, workers, and business owners; and

WHEREAS, the Hatfield Township Board of Commissioners envisions a different future for SEPTA, in which 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; and

WHEREAS, the Hatfield Township Board of Commissioners believes it is vital that the Pennsylvania Governor and the General Assembly budget responsibly 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, by the Hatfield Township Board of Commissioners:

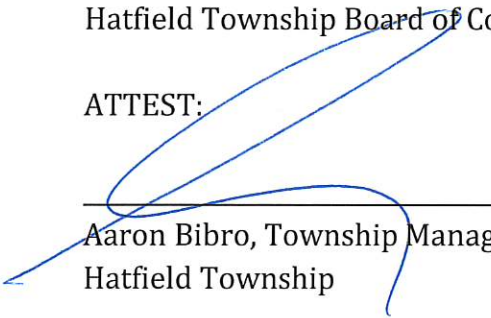
That the Hatfield Township Board of Commissioners strongly supports efforts to establish permanent, dedicated, sustainable funding sufficient to restore service for the entire SEPTA network and, ultimately, to expand service and achieve a frequent, safe, reliable system for all riders.

ADOPTED by the Hatfield Township Board of Commissioners this 25th day of June, 2025.



Thomas C. Zipfel, President
Hatfield Township Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



Aaron Bibro, Township Manager
Hatfield Township