RESOLUTION NO. 2019-66

RESOLUTION OF RADNOR TOWNSHIP, DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ESTABLISHING A POLICY PROHIBITING THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN TOWNSHIP PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

- WHEREAS, the Radnor Township Board of Commissioners acknowledges that secondhand tobacco smoke poses a threat to the health, safety, and welfare of adults and minor children; and
- WHEREAS, the US Surgeon General has determined that there is no safe level of exposure to tobacco smoke pollution; and
- WHEREAS, secondhand tobacco smoke is responsible for over 50,000 deaths among non-smokers each year; and
- WHEREAS, tobacco kills more Americans each year than alcohol, cocaine, heroin, homicide, suicide, accidents, fire and AIDS combined; and
- WHEREAS, 80% of smokers started smoking before the age of 18, and the average initiation age is 12 years old; and
- WHEREAS, the Radnor Township Board of Commissioners desires to prohibit tobacco use and promote the public health by declaring that all Township owned parks, playgrounds and recreational fields be designated as "Tobacco-Free Zones".
- **NOW, THEREFORE**, it is hereby **RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Radnor Township, as follows:
 - 1. That all areas of Township parks and playgrounds where children are present or may be present within Radnor Township shall be designated as tobacco-free and the use of any tobacco product in any form shall be prohibited. In addition to pipe tobacco, cigarettes and cigars, prohibited tobacco products include smokeless tobacco, electronic cigarettes and electronic cigars.
 - 2. "Young Lungs at Play" signs or other appropriate signage will be posted delineating the tobacco-free areas.
 - 3. Any violations of the Township's policy may result in the revocation of permits for park use or other sanctions as permitted by law.

4. The Township shall publicize and notify the community of the Township's tobacco-free policy in its parks and playgrounds.

SO RESOLVED this 8 of July, 2019.

RADNOR TOWNSHIP

Name: Lisa Borowski Title: President

ATTEST:

Name: Robert A. Zienkowski,

Title: Township Manager/Secretary