

NORTH FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

Resolution No. 7 of 2026

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF NORTH FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP IN SUPPORT OF THE REQUEST OF ACT 13 FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, FOR DEMOLITION OF THE BRIDGE AS PART OF THE FRANKLIN CROSSROADS PARK REVITALIZATION PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of North Franklin Township, Washington County, Pennsylvania has dealt with the continued deterioration of the “Washington Crown Mall” for the better part of the past decade; and

WHEREAS, this has included arguments with the “Washington Crown Mall” owner over maintenance and repairs of the entire area, including but not limited to the roadway infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, one such issue was a bridge located off of Franklin Farms Road used for ingress and egress to the site, that due to neglect of the owner had to be abandoned and access blocked off; and

WHEREAS, said bridge remains a potential hazard, eye sore, and liability; and

WHEREAS, new owners have taken over the “Washington Crown Mall” and are working to rehabilitate and revitalize the entire area, now known as the Franklin Crossroads Park; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to attract new businesses, increase the tax base, etc., the Franklin Crossroads Park is undergoing substantial infrastructure investments in the millions of dollars; and

WHEREAS, one area that is in immediate need of attention, and would be instrumental in the overall clean-up of the site to help attract new businesses and customers, is to completely demolish and remove the abandoned bridge; and

WHEREAS, as there have been questions raised by the previous owner regarding ownership/maintenance responsibilities of the bridge, the Township believes this would be a proper use of the County’s Act 13 Funds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the North Franklin Township Board of Supervisors at a Public Meeting held on February 10, 2026, voted to pass this Resolution thereby requesting the County consider using Act 13 Funds to assist in the removal of the dilapidated bridge infrastructure at the Franklin Crossroads Park Project.

WITNESS

NORTH FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP


SECRETARY

By: 
CHAIRMAN