

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-05
BOROUGH OF CLARKS SUMMIT

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF CLARKS SUMMIT
AUTHORIZING ITS POLICE DEPARTMENT TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR
COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) HIRING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Borough of Clarks Summit (the “Borough”) is a Borough and Municipality in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania organized and governed according to the Borough Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 1203 of the Borough Code authorizes the Borough to make and adopt all ordinances, bylaws, rules and regulations as may be necessary for the maintenance of peace, good government, safety and welfare of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Hiring Program of the U.S. Department of Justice’s Community Oriented Policing Services (“COPS”) is designed to advanced public safety through community policing by addressing the full-time sworn officer needs of state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies in the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the COPS Hiring Program provides funds directly to law enforcement agencies to hire new or rehire existing law enforcement officers to increase their community policing capacity and crime-prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, the COPS Hiring Program for Fiscal Year 2020 will provide up to 75 percent of the approved entry-level salaries and fringe benefits of full-time officers for a 36-month award period, with a minimum of 25 percent matched by the law enforcement agency; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Police Department is eligible to apply for funding through the COPS Hiring Program for Fiscal Year 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Mayor and Police Chief have made a recommendation to the Borough Council that the Borough’s Police Department submit an application through the COPS Hiring Program in order to secure funding for purposes of hiring an additional full-time police officer in the Borough’s Police Department; and

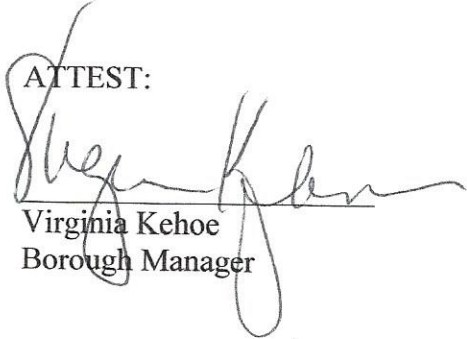
WHEREAS, the Borough’s Council has accepted the recommendation of the Borough’s Mayor and Police Chief that funding secured through the COPS Hiring Program would address a legitimate and critical need of the Borough and its Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's Council has accepted the recommendation of the Borough's Mayor and Police Chief that securing funding through the COPS Hiring Program is in the best interest of the Borough and the safety and welfare of its residents.

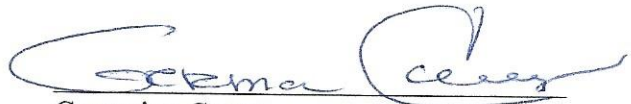
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Clarks Summit hereby authorizes the Borough's Police Department to submit an application to the COPS Hiring Program for Fiscal Year 2020 in order to secure grant funding over a 36-month period for 75 percent of the approved-entry level salary and fringe benefits of an additional full-time officer to be appointed to the Borough's Police Department.

RESOLVED by the **Council of the Borough of Clarks Summit** this 5th day of February, 2020.

ATTEST:



Virginia Kehoe
Borough Manager

BOROUGH OF CLARKS SUMMIT


Germaine Carey
Council President

Approved this 5th day of

February 2020


Herman Johnson
Mayor