

SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 16-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION to honor the services of Robert DeLotto.

WHEREAS, Bob was instrumental in the formation of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Regional Planning Commission (SPRPC); and, on October 29, 1962, he participated in its organizational meeting representing Westmoreland County; and,

WHEREAS, Bob served as the Commission's Chairman from 1970-72 stressing the importance of cooperative relationships. Throughout his career, and with numerous changes at the local, state and federal levels – including seven Governors, one thing remained constant: Bob's drive to promote the concept of regionalism; and

WHEREAS, Bob served in many capacities at SPC, such as serving on the Nominating, Future Programming, Affiliate Membership, Program Revision, Housing, Citizen Participation, Penn Central Passenger Service, Special Finance and Comprehensive Health Planning Committees; and

WHEREAS, Bob labored to promote planning beyond the traditional areas of transportation and economic development and moved into innovative areas, such as housing and public health issues; and

WHEREAS, Bob witnessed monumental changes in federal legislation and personally helped the region implement its mandates through SPC; and

WHEREAS, Bob brought his skills, experience and enthusiasm to the deliberations of the Commission for 45 years and worked diligently on Southwestern Pennsylvania's priorities; and

WHEREAS, Bob gave generously of his time by attending countless meetings associated with his appointments; and

WHEREAS, on the National level Bob received the John Bosley Leadership Award, recognizing outstanding service and contributions by an individual with at least 10 years of service in a regional council, at the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) Annual Convention hosted by SPC in Pittsburgh in 2003. Bob also chaired the Convention Arrangements Committee when SPRPC hosted one of the most successful NARC Annual Conferences in 1985.

WHEREAS, Bob will be remembered, too, for his many accomplishments, his long record of public service and his dedication to and love of New Kensington.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Officers, Members and Staff of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission extend their heartfelt and sincere sympathy to his wife Marie, his daughters Karen and Cheryl, and other members of his family, colleagues and friends, and express their appreciation for his many years of extensive service and faithful commitment to the Commission and Westmoreland County.

I, Rodney Ruddock, HEREBY CERTIFY that I am Secretary-Treasurer of the SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION that the foregoing was adopted, in accordance with the By-Laws, by the Members of said Commission at a meeting duly called and held on the 30th day of June 2008; and that said resolution is now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I hereto subscribe my name as Secretary-Treasurer.

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Secretary-Treasurer