

SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 22-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION to Honor the services of Commissioner Bernie Smith.

WHEREAS, Since 1996, Bernie Smith served with distinction as an Indiana County representative on the Southwestern Pennsylvania Regional Development Council which ultimately merged with the Southwestern Pennsylvania Regional Planning Commission to form the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission; and

WHEREAS, he served on the Commission's Executive Committee as well as its Intergovernmental Affairs Committee and worked diligently on Southwestern Pennsylvania's priorities; and

WHEREAS, he also served on the Board of Directors of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Corporation and its Property Committee, which oversees the development and operations of the Regional Enterprise Tower, the nation's first building of its kind dedicated as a hub for regional development; and

WHEREAS, he was elected to the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regional Councils in 2002 and was instrumental in showcasing Southwestern Pennsylvania by utilizing his background in the entertainment industry in bringing the famous Vogues to the closing reception at its National Conference held in Pittsburgh in 2003, where they "brought the house down" for hundreds of members across the country; and

WHEREAS, he was a champion of regionalism and his leadership was marked with integrity, a positive spirit and fervent dedication to the people he served; and

WHEREAS, he brought his skills, experience and enthusiasm to the deliberations of the Commission and gave generously of his time in attending numerous meetings associated with his appointments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Officers, Members and Staff of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission and the Southwestern Pennsylvania Corporation extend their heartfelt and sincere sympathy to his wife, Gladys, the rest of his family, colleagues, and many friends and express their appreciation for his many years of dedicated service.

I, Charles A. Camp, HEREBY CERTIFY that I am Secretary-Treasurer of the SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION; that the foregoing resolution was adopted, in accordance with the By-Laws, by the Members of said Commission at a meeting duly called and held on the 25th day of September 2006, a quorum being present; 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