

Resolution No. 55-19
of the Board of Commissioners of Cheltenham Township

Whereas, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CHELTENHAM TOWNSHIP, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, with tremendous pride and admiration, salutes the efforts of **JOYCE WERKMAN** for organizing the “Camp William Penn and Historic La Mott Day” celebration on Saturday, September 21, 2019.


Whereas, The leadership, commitment and hard work of **JOYCE WERKMAN** resulted in a community event that brought neighbors together with a proclamation honoring Camp William Penn Day. Camp William Penn is the country’s first and largest recruiting and training camp for black soldiers, known as the United States Colored Troops. Camp William Penn trained roughly 11,000 black soldiers during its operation from June 26, 1863 to May 19, 1865.

Whereas, **JOYCE WERKMAN** planned a day filled with numerous activities and historical material and demonstrations including: Re-enactors, poetry readings from historic figures like Abraham Lincoln, Living History Demonstrations of ammunition making, Civil War Medical and Surgical instrument ‘show and tell’ in the barn, musical performances, presentations about Elstow Manor, Lynnewood Hall, and La Mott History display. The Camp William Penn Day would not be possible without the vision, organization and stewardship of Joyce Werkman, a Cheltenham Township citizen and resident in Wyncote, who also serves as the president of Citizens for the Restoration of Historical La Mott, a preservation group that runs the Camp William Penn Museum in Cheltenham Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CHELTENHAM TOWNSHIP, duly convened in regular session this twentieth day of November A.D., 2019, does hereby officially recognize the tireless efforts of **JOYCE WERKMAN** for creating and executing a community event to honor the rich history of Camp William Penn and Historic La Mott and its significant role in American history. It is further directed that this Resolution be spread in full upon the minutes of this meeting and that a copy thereof be presented to Ms. Werkman.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Daniel B. Norris, President of the BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CHELTENHAM TOWNSHIP, have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Township of Cheltenham to be made a part thereof. DONE IN ELKINS PARK, PENNSYLVANIA, in the year of the Township of Cheltenham, the one hundred and twentieth.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF CHELTENHAM TOWNSHIP**

By: 
Daniel B. Norris, President

Attest: 
Bryan T. Havir
Township Manager and Secretary