WEST VINCENT TOWNSHIP CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. 6-2023

WHEREAS, the preservation of open space and acquisition of interests in land benefits the public and advances the public health, safety, morals and general welfare of the citizens of West Vincent Township and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of West Vincent Township intends to promote and encourage the preservation of lands for Open Space Uses as defined by the Pennsylvania Open Space Lands Act, 32 P.S. §5002 *et seq.* within the Township by the acquisition of interests in real property;

WHEREAS, the acquisitions of interests in real property for Open Space Uses directly benefits the citizens of West Vincent Township;

WHEREAS, West Vincent Township, through its Zoning Ordinance promotes the preservation of designated areas and resources in the Township through the establishment of a transferable development rights ("TDR") program to permanently preserve resources considered important to the Township, including agricultural lands, prime agricultural soils, environmentally sensitive resources, open lands, and visual resources;

WHEREAS, Section 390-203 of the Zoning Ordinance provides that the Township may purchase development rights and may accept ownership of development rights through transfer by donation and such development rights shall be either retired or extinguished by the Township or held in a TDR account for future sale to receiving area properties;

WHEREAS, at various times the Township has purchased development rights and accepted ownership of development rights through transfer by donation;

WHEREAS, the Township intends to retire and extinguish all development acquired by the Township prior to December 31, 2022;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of West Vincent Township HEREBY RESOLVES as follows:

- 1. All transfer development rights currently held by the Township that were acquired before December 31, 2022 are hereby and shall be retired and extinguished.
- 2. No transfer development right acquired by the Township before December 31, 2022 may be sold or transferred to any other party for use as a development right in the Township.
 - 3. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

RESOLVED THIS 21st DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023

WEST VINCENT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Bernie Couris, Chairman

Sara Shick, Vice Chairman

Dana Alan, Member

ATTEST:

Kathryn Shillenn, Secretary