

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST VINCENT  
CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**RESOLUTION 9-2026**

**A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE CHESTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RESTORE AND FULLY FUND LAND USE PLANNING, COUNTY FARMLAND,  
OPEN SPACE AND PARK PRESERVATION PROGRAMS**

**WHEREAS**, Chester County's open space, farmland preservation, and park improvement programs have been central to protecting the County's natural resources, rural landscapes, and community character for more than three decades; and,

**WHEREAS**, Chester County municipalities have relied on these programs to preserve essential family farms, protect and establish parks, trails, and conservation projects that directly benefit residents and would not be feasible without County partnership; and,

**WHEREAS**, any reduction, continued pause, or uncertainty in County open space funding places irreplaceable family farms and natural lands at risk, undermines municipal planning, and threatens projects already underway; and,

**WHEREAS**, Chester County residents have consistently demonstrated strong bipartisan support for open space investment, recognizing its importance for clean water, flood mitigation, farmland viability, outdoor recreation, and long term economic resilience; and,

**WHEREAS**, any continued pause, uncertainty, or weakening of these programs would hamper efforts to protect vulnerable lands before they are permanently lost.

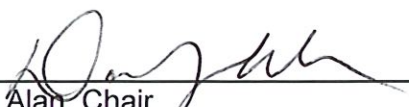
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Supervisors of West Vincent Township urges the Chester County Board of Commissioners to restore full funding for all County farmland, open space and park preservation programs, including the Preservation Partnership Program.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Board recommends the County to restore what had previously been stable, predictable, and long term funding commitments to ensure municipalities can plan responsibly and safeguard critical natural resources beginning with the County 2027 Budget.

**RESOLVED THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2026.**

**FOR WEST VINCENT TOWNSHIP**

BY:

  
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Dana Alan, Chair  
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

  
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Tommy Ryan  
Township Manager