



Morris Township
Clearfield County Pennsylvania
ORDINANCE NO. 15-01-05-1-1

**ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION OF MORRIS TOWNSHIP IN THE PSATS
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION GROUP TRUST PURSUANT TO THE PENNSYLVANIA
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION LAW**

WHEREAS, the PSATS Unemployment Compensation Group Trust, ("Trust") originally established in 1980, exists as an intergovernmental cooperative arrangement of municipalities to provide townships and certain other permitted governmental employers of Pennsylvania with a vehicle to pool resources and jointly leverage buying power to develop and maintain unemployment compensation insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, the governing Declaration and Agreement of Trust for the Trust has been comprehensively updated, amended and restated effective July 16, 2014 (hereinafter "Restated Trust Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Restated Trust Agreement any municipality wishing to commence participation in the Trust, or continue participation in the Trust after July 16, 2014, is required to take formal action in the form of an enacted ordinance in which the municipality agrees to participate in the Trust in accordance with the amended and updated terms of the Restated Trust Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Morris Township ("the Township") has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to participate in the Trust in accordance with the terms of the Restated Trust Agreement and to agree to and join in such Restated Trust Agreement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Law, 53 Pa. C.S.A. § 2301 et seq., a municipality may enter into an intergovernmental cooperative agreement upon the passage of an ordinance by its governing body.

**The Board of Supervisors of Morris Township, Clearfield County, Pennsylvania
does hereby ENACT and ORDAIN:**

Section 1. That the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and Secretary of the Township are hereby authorized to sign the Restated Trust Agreement and any other agreements necessary for the Township's participation in the Trust.

The Restated Trust Agreement is on file for inspection and review at the Township's offices at 1189 Oak Grove, Morrisdale PA 16858. The Restated Trust Agreement may be subsequently modified or amended in accordance with its terms, but in no event shall such modifications or amendments divert any of the trust funds from the purposes of the Trust. The Township may withdraw from the Trust in accordance with the Restated Trust Agreement, including if the Board of Supervisors determines the modifications or amendments are not in the best interests of the Township.

Section 2. That the participation of the Township in the Trust is authorized for the purpose of pooling resources for the purpose of providing unemployment compensation insurance for Participating Employers at reasonable cost.

Section 3. That, as set forth in greater detail in the Restated Trust Agreement and as otherwise stated herein, the following conditions apply to the participation of the Township in the Trust:

1. That each Participating Employer must meet the admission and eligibility requirements set forth therein;

2. That each Participating Employer agrees to pay all contributions when due as provided in the Restated Trust Agreement or as otherwise established by the Board of Trustees; and

3. That each Participating Employer complies with all other conditions of the Restated Trust Agreement.

Section 4. That the Township agrees to participate in the Trust and may withdraw for any reason and in accordance with the Restated Trust Agreement provided that it has fulfilled all its financial obligations to the Trust upon withdrawal.

Section 5. That the effective date of the Township's agreement to and joinder in the Restated Trust Agreement and the participation of the Township in the Trust pursuant to the terms of the Restated Trust Agreement will be January 5, 2015.

Section 6. That each Participating Employer delegates to the Board of Trustees the powers enumerated in the Restated Trust Agreement.

Section 7. That the organizational structure of the Trust shall consist of a Board of Trustees. Under the Restated Trust Agreement, the Board of Trustees is authorized to, among other things, enter into contracts with third parties to perform various services necessary for the administration of the Trust.

Section 8. That the funds required for the operation of the Trust shall be provided by the Participating Employers through scheduled appropriations as determined by the Board of Trustees.

Section 9. That the Trust is empowered to enter into contracts for policies of group insurance and employee benefits, including Social Security, for employees of the Trust, if any.

Section 10. That as a condition of participating in the Trust, the Township agrees to comply with all of the terms and conditions in the Restated Trust Agreement.

Section 11. That the Secretary of the Township shall provide a certified copy of this Ordinance upon its enactment to the Board of Trustees of the Trust.

Section 12. The Board of Supervisors of the Township is hereby authorized to take any and all such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance and comply with the requirements of the attached Restated Trust Agreement and any duly adopted amendments thereto.

Section 13. The duration of the term of the Township's participation in the Trust and obligations under the Restated Trust Agreement shall continue until withdrawal from the Trust by the Township in accordance with the terms of the Restated Trust Agreement.

Section 14. The Board of Supervisors hereby specifically finds and determines as follows:

