## RESOLUTION NO. 2023- 10

## A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL, BEAVER COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, RECOGNIZING MEMBERS OF THE HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY ON MARCH 29, 2023

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Hopewell wish to recognize the Hopewell Township Police Department for extraordinary service and response involving a swatting incident which took place at the Hopewell Area School District at 10:21 a.m. on March 29, 2023 when dispatchers received a call of an active shooter inside the High School;

Whereas, within only six (6) minutes of receiving the call, six law enforcement officers had entered the building to protect staff and children and immediately began securing the facility;

Whereas, Hopewell Township recognizes and honors the selfless and heroic service provided by the men and women of the Hopewell Township Police Department;

Whereas, Hopewell Township relies on law enforcement officers to keep our neighborhoods and schools safe, enforce our laws, and respond in times of crisis;

Whereas, every day law enforcement officers face the threat of violence and danger and routinely put their lives in jeopardy to defend others, potentially resulting in injury, disability or even death;

Whereas, these men and women by their distinctive service and dedicated efforts as law enforcement officers have earned our highest respect and deepest gratitude:

Sergeant Jill Banovsky, Sergeant Eric Yerdon, Officer Jared Rogers, Officer Nicolette Lopez, Officer Aaron Lopez, Detective Greg Durkos, Officer Brian Marvich, Officer Bob Clark, Sergeant Ron McMasters, Officer Brandon Fedorka, Officer Dave Bibbee, Officer Brittain Geddes and Assistant Cathy Zieber

Whereas, Hopewell Chief Don Sedlacek, as Commander-In-Charge, supervised and directed the efforts of eighteen (18) responding law enforcement agencies at the local, state and federal level with distinction, expertise and exceptional leadership qualities.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved, that the Commissioners of Hopewell Township, supports and recognizes the selfless and heroic service of the officers and leadership of the Hopewell Township Police Department and their invaluable contributions in upholding justice, enforcing the rule of law, and protecting our community and thank each officer and their families for their extraordinary dedication and service on March 29, 2023.

ATTEST:

Board of Commissioners Hopewell Township

Jamie Yurcina, Township Manager

Richard Bufalini, President