

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-32

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING, EMPOWERING AND DIRECTING THE PROPER OFFICERS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH BERKHEIMER WHEREUNDER BERKHEIMER IS RETAINED AS THE EXCLUSIVE TAX OFFICER FOR THE COLLECTION, ADMINISTRATION, RECEIPT AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE RESPECTIVE TAX ENACTMENT OF THE GOVERNING BOARD LEVYING AND ASSESSING THE MERCANTILE TAX FOR THE TERM HEREIN DEFINED, TOGETHER WITH SUCH EXTENSIONS AS MAY BE AGREED UPON, SAID TAX ENACTMENT HAVING BEEN ADOPTED UNDER AND PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF THE PENNSYLVANIA LOCAL TAX ENABLING ACT (ACT 511, P.L. 1257); AND APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE RULES AND REGULATIONS PREPARED BY BERKHEIMER TO ADMINISTER AND ENFORCE THE MERCANTILE TAX.

WHEREAS, Act No. 511 of the 1965 General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, enacted December 31, 1965, and effective January 1, 1966, authorizes certain political subdivisions, including, HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY, to levy, assess and collect a tax on the privilege of engaging in a business, as therein with more particularity specified, generally and hereinafter referred to as the Mercantile Tax; and

WHEREAS, including, HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY, by Resolution and/or Ordinance, has levied, assessed and provided for the collection of such Mercantile Tax; and

WHEREAS, Section 10 of said Act of 1965, specifies that any such political subdivision may provide for the creation of such bureaus or the appointment and compensation of such officers, clerks, collectors and other assistants and employees as may be deemed necessary for the assessment and collection of taxes imposed under the authority of that Act; and

WHEREAS, including, HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY, and Berkheimer have negotiated an Agreement whereby and whereunder it will hire Berkheimer to collect the Mercantile Tax levied by HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY, and

WHEREAS, including HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY, recognizes the legal obligation and practical necessity for Berkheimer to establish and maintain consistent rules and regulations to be used in the efficient administration and collection of said taxes;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that

1. HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY hereby appoints BERKHEIMER as its exclusive collector of its MERCANTILE TAXES for the initial term commencing January 1, 2010 and ending December 31, 2011, and any subsequent renewal terms thereafter, said initial and renewal periods to include all quarterly and annual collections pertinent to the tax years therein. This appointment resolution shall be deemed to encompass any renewal terms agreed upon by the parties without further reenactment of this resolution or re-appointment.

2. Further, HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY APPROVES AND ADOPTS the Agreement negotiated with Berkheimer for the collection of the MERCANTILE TAX.

3. And further, HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY adopts and incorporates the Mercantile Tax Rules and Regulations as promulgated by Berkheimer, in their entirety.

4. Any resolution or part of this resolution conflicting with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

ENACTED into a RESOLUTION this 28th day of DECEMBER, 2009.

BY:

B. P. [Signature]
HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP

ATTEST:

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