## **RESOLUTION 2024-12**

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LONDONDERRY, DAUPHIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION IN THE SOURCEWELL PURCHASING COOPERATIVE.

WHEREAS, the Township of Londonderry, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania (the "Township"), is a Township of the Second Class and a Municipality existing under laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the Second Class Township Code requires public bidding for purchases over certain thresholds that are adjusted annually; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Procurement Code authorizes intergovernmental participation for cooperative purchasing through external procurement activities as long as the activities comply with the requirements governing its procurement of supplies, services and construction and any public procurement unit participating in the purchase shall be deemed to have complied with the requirements governing its procurement of supplies, services and construction. 62 Pa. C.S. § 1908; and

WHEREAS, 'external procurement activities' is defined by the Procurement Code as "[a] buying organization not located in this Commonwealth which if located in this Commonwealth would qualify as a public procurement unit." 62 Pa. C.S. § 1901; see, also Alaska Structures, Inc. v. Dep't of Gen. Servs., 979 A.2d 982, 987 (Pa. Commw. Ct. 2009); and

WHEREAS, Sourcewell is a local government unit, public corporation and public agency pursuant to the Minnesota Constitution and enabling law, Minn. Stat. § 123A.21, organized as a public procurement unit available to public agencies; and

WHEREAS, Sourcewell is available to public agencies located outside of Minesota as a cooperative purchasing agency at no cost to the public agency; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Londonderry Township, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, recognizes the importance of efficient and cost-effective procurement practices for the benefit of its residents; and

WHEREAS, joining a purchasing cooperative presents an opportunity to leverage collective purchasing power to obtain goods and services at competitive prices, thereby achieving cost savings; and

WHEREAS, participation in a purchasing cooperative can streamline procurement processes, improve vendor relationships, and enhance operational efficiencies for the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisor of Londonderry Township, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, that:

- 1. The Londonderry Township hereby expresses its intent to join the Sourcewell Cooperative effective upon execution of this Resolution.
- 2. The Township Manager is authorized and directed to take all necessary steps to register the Township with Sourcewell as a participating agency, including the execution of any required agreements or documents.
- 3. The Board of Supervisors may consider the use of Cooperative Purchasing Programs including Sourcewell for procurement of goods and services when deemed beneficial to the Township.
- 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors directs the Township Manager to transmit a copy of this resolution to Sourcewell to notify them of the Township's decision to join.

ADOPTED this  $\frac{1sT}{}$  day of  $\frac{Tuly}{}$ , 2024.

TOWNSHIP OF LONDONDERRY, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Bart Shellenhamer

Chairman of Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Secretary