**RESOLUTION NO. 2016 -**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that,

WHEREAS, The City of Bethlehem recognizes that the City needs to provide park and recreation facilities that contribute to the quality of life and economic health of our community; and

WHEREAS, the County Council of Northampton County has established the Northampton County Open Space Initiative supported by a referendum overwhelmingly passed by Northampton County Voters on November 2, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the program provides for funding grants that may be used by the municipality to acquire land for park purposes and for park development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania wishes to participate in the Municipal Park Acquisition and Development Program; and

WHEREAS, the municipality will have available $90,000, its required match,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

1. That the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania hereby approves the filing of an application for funds under the Park Acquisition and Development Program.

2. That Ralph Carp, Director of Parks and Public Property, is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file the appropriate forms with the Northampton County Open Space Advisory Board.

 Sponsored by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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 ADOPTED BY COUNCIL THIS day of , 2016.

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 President of Council

ATTEST:

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 City Clerk