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I hereby certify that the attached Resolution Number 1442 was passed at a duly called, advertised, and lawful meeting of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Bethlehem, at which a quorum was present, on the 16th day of March, 2017.



Secretary

RESOLUTION NUMBER 1442

A RESOLUTION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM, SUPPORTING THE DESIGNATION OF AREAS OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM WITHIN WHICH EXEMPTIONS FROM TAX ASSESSMENTS MAY BE GRANTED FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO DETERIORATED INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL AND OTHER BUSINESS PROPERTY AND/OR DETERIORATED RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY AND AREAS.

WHEREAS, in various areas of the City there are some deteriorated industrial, commercial and other business properties and/or deteriorated residential properties and areas; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of Pennsylvania has passed Act 76 of 1977, known as the Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance Act (“LERTA”), Act 42 of 1977, known as the Improvement of Deteriorating Real Property or Areas Tax Exemption Act (“IDRPA”), authorizing local taxing authorities to exempt certain improvements to deteriorated industrial, commercial and other business property and/or deteriorated residential property and areas from taxation under certain terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem wishes to take advantage of these authorizations for the purpose of fostering rehabilitation of said properties; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Authority on July 21, 2016 passed a resolution endorsing the creation of a tax abatement area in a deteriorated area of the City of Bethlehem as more fully described in that resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem is proposing to expand the boundaries of the tax abatement area to include an area beginning at Mauch Chunk and Laurel Streets south to Union Boulevard, west on Union Boulevard to Main Street, south on Main Street to Broad Street, Broad Street east to Maple Street, then north on Maple Street to East Fairview Street, west on East Fairview Street to Grenadier Boulevard, north on Grenadier Boulevard to Laurel Street, then back to the starting point at Laurel and Mauch Chunk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Bethlehem the boundaries of an additionally-declared deteriorated area within the City of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, authorized for exemptions under Act 76 of 1977 and Act 42 of 1977, as more particularly described above are endorsed for adoption by the Council of the City of Bethlehem.

This Resolution shall have no effect on any area designated under a prior Resolution for exemptions for improvements from real estate tax assessments.

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ADOPTED by the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Bethlehem this 16th day of March, 2017.