

RESOLUTION 1983-3

BOROUGH OF WEST NEWTON
WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

WHEREAS, the Federal General Revenue Sharing program expires September 30, 1983; and

WHEREAS, the General Revenue Sharing program is the most visible local return of the Federal tax dollar; and

WHEREAS, the General Revenue Sharing program allows municipalities the freedom to tailor spending to individual community needs; and

WHEREAS, the General Revenue Sharing program has enabled local governments to finance projects and services for their citizens that they otherwise would not be able to provide; and

WHEREAS, General Revenue Sharing accounts for about 14% of local government budgets in Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, property taxes or other taxes and user fees would have to be raised to offset any loss of General Revenue Sharing funds; and

WHEREAS, many local governments in Pennsylvania are at or near their statutory taxation limits; and

WHEREAS, favorable action needs to be taken on the General Revenue Sharing program before municipalities begin to work on their 1984 budgets;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of West Newton urges the President and the Congress to work for an early reenactment of the Federal General Revenue Sharing program as it now exists; and

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the President, the Pennsylvania Senators, and the House Member representing this district in Congress and to the State Association.

ADOPTED this 7th day of JANUARY, 1983.

BOROUGH OF WEST NEWTON

BY: Edward J. Porter
Edward J. Porter
President of Council

ATTEST:

Mary K. Willis
Mary K. Willis, Secretary

APPROVED this 7th day of JANUARY, 1983.

BY: Walter B. Klich
Walter B. Klich, Mayor