

# **BOROUGH OF FORTY FORT**

**Resolution   11   of 2011**

## **A RESOLUTION HONORING THE INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT RESPONDED TO TROPICAL STORM LEE AND THE SUBSEQUENT SUSQUEHANNA RIVER FLOOD THREAT AND CONTRIBUTED TO THE SAVING OF THE LEVEE IN THE FORTY FORT CEMETERY AND AT THE FORTY FORT SOCCER FIELDS**

**WHEREAS**, on September 8 through September 10, 2011 Wyoming Valley and particularly the Borough of Forty Fort were faced with an extremely serious and dangerous flood threat and levee breach that would have devastated Forty Fort Borough and the West Side communities of the Wyoming Valley; and

**WHEREAS**, many Forty Fort Borough employees responded swiftly, including the Forty Fort Fire Department, Bob Smith, Bob Sgarlat, Joseph "Skip" Kozich and Bob Pugh; Forty Fort Police Department, William Stone, Adam Michaels, Brian Casella, Peter Lakkis, and David McDermott; Borough Coordinator Denise Syms, Forty Fort Street Department, Bob Barnard, Bob Johns and Dan Zukosky; and Forty Fort Code Enforcement, Stephen Nowroski and Alan Brezinski; and

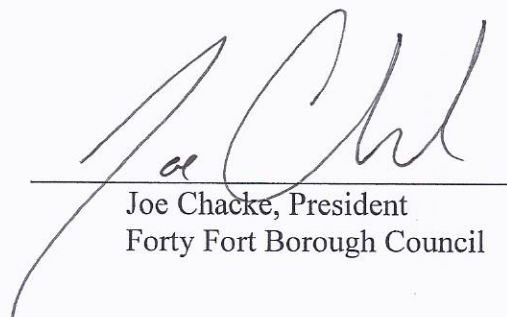
**WHEREAS**, the Borough's appointed and elected officials acted quickly and dedicated to the Borough, including Andy Tuzinski, EMA Director, Mayor Boyd Hoats, President Joe Chacke, Members of Council Dave Williams, Rob Craig, Rick Kamus, Frank Michaels, Betty Mascelli and Dottie Craig, Assistant EMA Tom Craig, and Volunteer Fire Chief Jim Shedlarski; and

**WHEREAS**, other municipalities, government entities, businesses and individuals worked and contributed tirelessly and selflessly in their respective way to save the levee or provide support to our volunteers, they include the Swoyersville Police Department and Chief Tom DiMaria, Wyoming Hose Company #1, Swoyersville Hose Company #2, Maltby Hose Company, Kingston/Forty Fort Fire and EMS, Forty Fort Volunteer Fire Company, Columbian Fire Company (Kingston), Independent Fire Company (Kingston) Luzerne Borough DPW, Swoyersville Borough DPW, Swoyersville Borough, the Municipality of Kingston, Luzerne Borough EMA, PennDOT, Pennsylvania State Police, Pennsylvania National Guard, Robert Mericle/Mericle Construction, Luzerne County Sheriff's Department, Luzerne County Road and Bridge, Luzerne County EMA, American Red Cross, Quad 3, Dunkin Donuts, Canteen 900, Tom

Lawson, Jim Koch, Bonnie Cottle, Times Leader employees, the countless and unnamed equipment and truck operators, and the multiple individuals who stopped by to offer assistance, encouragement or sustenance.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough Council and Mayor of the Borough of Forty Fort hereby acknowledge, thank and honor every single person, organization and entity that contributed in their way to saving the levee, Forty Fort Borough and Wyoming Valley.

**ENACTED AND ORDAINED** by the **BOROUGH COUNCIL** and **PROCLAIMED** by the **MAYOR** of the **BOROUGH OF FORTY FORT** at the regular meeting of Council held this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2011.



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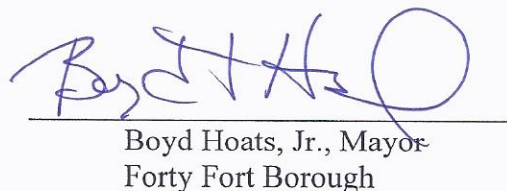
Joe Chacke, President  
Forty Fort Borough Council

Attest:



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Denise Syms, Borough Secretary



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Boyd Hoats, Jr., Mayor  
Forty Fort Borough

