

RESOLUTION NO. 1392

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF  
DOYLESTOWN TOWNSHIP SUPPORTING THE USAGE  
OF VOTER MARKED PAPER BALLOTS FOR ELECTION  
PURPOSES IN BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**WHEREAS**, in 2002, the United States Government passed the Help America Vote Act which was an effort on the part of the Federal Government to correct problems arising from the 2000 Presidential Election;

**WHEREAS**, the Help America Vote Act (hereinafter referred to as "HAVA") required that lever machines be replaced by January 1, 2006 because the machines do not produce a "manual audit capacity" as required;

**WHEREAS**, Bucks County has purchased direct recording electronic machines for use in elections in Bucks County;

**WHEREAS**, Federal and certain state commissioned studies and election evidence have shown that direct recording electronic machines ("DREs") are not accurate or reliable, and that votes have been lost, miscounted or wrongly attributed in elections and furthermore that DREs are not secure and are open and are subject to undetected tampering;

**WHEREAS**, the voters of Bucks County need to be assured that their intended vote are accurately counted and have not been tampered with or lost;

**WHEREAS**, an accurate voting system needs a permanent record of the voter's choice, independent of a tabulating machine, so as to be available for meaningful recounts and audits;

**WHEREAS**, only a voter marked paper ballot guarantees that there is an accurate record that can be used for meaningful recounts and audits; and


**WHEREAS**, the voters of Bucks County are presently voting on a direct recording electronic machine that needs to be replaced to provide voters of Bucks County with confidence that their votes are being counted as intended and are available for recounts and audits.

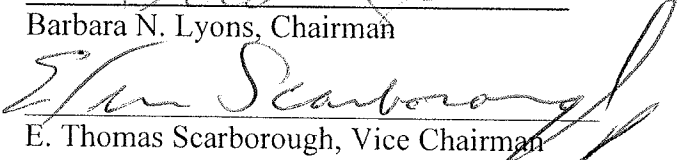
**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved, that the Board of Supervisors of Doylestown Township urges that the County of Bucks give consideration to the purchase of the voter marked paper record voting system so as to provide the most accurate, reliable, tamper proof, cost effective and accessible voting system for Bucks County.

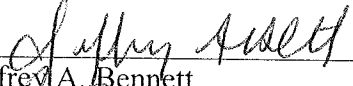
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the appropriate State and County officials.

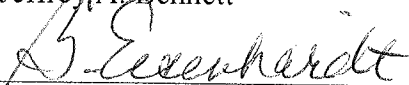
**DULY ADOPTED** this 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008.

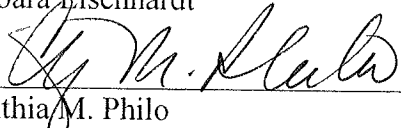
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