

**BOROUGH OF BRYN ATHYN
RESOLUTION 2009 – 07**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BRYN ATHYN CALLING FOR THE
RESTORATION OF THE FETTERS MILL ROAD BRIDGE IN A MANNER TO PRESERVE ITS
PRESENT APPEARANCE, SIZE, AND LOCATION AND HISTORIC CHARACTER**

WHEREAS, the Feters Mill Road Bridge, known as Montgomery County Bridge # 27, was constructed in 1883 as a Pratt through truss bridge; and was rehabilitated in 1977 in a manner to maintain its original appearance, size and location; and

WHEREAS, the Feters Mill Road Bridge is identified as a resource in the Feters Mill Historic District which was posted to the National Register of Historic Places on August 16, 2006; and because of its present location and appearance, images of the Feters Mill Road Bridge have been featured in television and print media promoting the Southeastern Montgomery County area, and

WHEREAS, the present appearance, size and location of the Feters Mill Road Bridge makes significant positive contributions to the appearance and character of the Borough of the Bryn Athyn community, the importance of which cannot be overstated; and

WHEREAS, to alter the present appearance, size, and/or location of the Feters Mill Road Bridge would profoundly and negatively impact the appearance, character and quality of life of the Borough of Bryn Athyn community; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and County of Montgomery have developed alternatives for the restoration of the Feters Mill Road Bridge, one or more of which call for its relocation, widening, enlargement, and redesign, and have done so without giving consideration to the desires or best interests of the residents of the Borough of Bryn Athyn; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the Borough of Bryn Athyn are overwhelmingly opposed to any restoration of the Feters Mill Road Bridge that would alter its location, size, width, or design, all for the reasons aforesaid.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the Borough of Bryn Athyn **RESOLVES** as follows:

1. That the Feters Mill Road Bridge should not be restored in such a manner as would change its present location, size, width or design.
2. That restoration of the Feters Mill Road Bridge in a manner that would change its present location, size, width or design would have a profound negative impact on the appearance, character and quality of life of the Borough of Bryn Athyn community.
3. That any restoration of the Feters Mill Road Bridge should be undertaken only after giving thorough and meaningful consideration to the desires and best interests of the residents of the Borough of Bryn Athyn.
4. That the President of Borough Council and the Mayor of the Borough of Bryn Athyn shall be and hereby are authorized to present this Resolution to any and all officials of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and the County of Montgomery, and such other officials as the President and Mayor deem appropriate; and, further, that the President of Council and the Mayor shall be and hereby are authorized to represent the interests of the Borough of Bryn Athyn to the aforesaid officials.

RESOLVED and **ADOPTED** this second day of November, 2009.

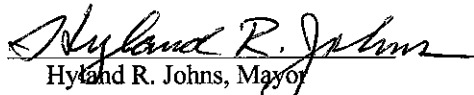
Attest:


Victoria G. Frost, Secretary

THE BOROUGH OF BRYN ATHYN

By:


Andrew G. Nehlig, President
Borough Council


Hyland R. Johns, Mayor

