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Upper Darby Township Council Meeting

November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017

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A regular meeting of Upper Darby Township Council was held on Wednesday evening, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Meeting Room #202 of the Municipal Building, 100 Garrett Road, Upper Darby, Pennsylvania.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Donald P. Bonnett with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

**Roll Call**

Donald P. Bonnett, Thomas P. Wagner, Edward E. Monaghan, Jacob A. Bierling Jr., Sekela Coles, Robert Gwin, Barbarann Keffer, Marc Manfre, Sheikh M. Siddique, Patrick Spellman

Lisa Faraglia, excused

**Present at the Meeting**

Thomas N. Micozzie, Mayor  
Thomas J. Judge Jr., CAO  
Kelly Sullivan, Esquire  
Richard G. Nolan, Chief Municipal Clerk

**Mayor Micozzie**

Mayor Micozzie presented a Proclamation to Anthony Foster of Anthony's Ristorante.

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Anthony Foster was born and raised in Overbrook Park in Philadelphia to Stephen and Joan Foster, along with his two siblings, Stephen and Gina, Anthony being the youngest; Anthony attended St. Callistus grade school and graduated from West Catholic High School in 1988;

**WHEREAS**, Anthony is married to his wife, Elisa, of 17 years; they have two daughters, Ava, 14 and Lia, 6;

**WHEREAS**, upon completion of high school, Anthony worked at Advanced Concrete where he left to pursue his entrepreneurial dream of becoming a restaurateur; Anthony's hard work and long hours, combined with perseverance and determination, enabled him to achieve his goal;

**WHEREAS**, on November 6, 1993, Anthony's dream was realized with the grand opening of Anthony's Restaurant in Overbrook Park, an upscale Italian restaurant;

**WHEREAS**, in 1997, Anthony moved his restaurant from Overbrook Park and re-opened the now, ever- popular Anthony's Restaurant and Banquet Hall in Drexel Hill, a staple in our community;

**WHEREAS**, in April, 2005, Anthony successfully opened the Oaks Ballroom, a large catering and banquet facility, in Glenolden;

**WHEREAS**, in Spring of 2010, The IATSE Ballroom, a state-of-the-art venue in South Philadelphia, opened its doors;

**WHEREAS**, in April, 2012, Anthony's continued passion and enthusiasm led to the opening of yet another sought-after banquet venue - Anthony's at Paxon in Broomall;

**WHEREAS**, Anthony's kind and generous natures afforded him the opportunity to be surrounded by a talented, dedicated staff and loyal customers; he is known to be an active participant in many community charitable events including hosting the annual Italian Open to raising funds for the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia;

**WHEREAS**, Anthony's success as a master, self-trained chef and business entrepreneur is attributed to his passion for food, hard work and dedication; not to mention his mom's specialty desserts;

**WHEREAS, I, HEREBY**, congratulate Anthony as he celebrates his 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary for his success in the restaurant business here in Drexel Hill;

**NOW, THEREFORE I**, Thomas N. Micozzie, Mayor of Upper Darby Township, along with Upper Darby Council, do hereby proclaim November 6<sup>th</sup> as

### ***ANTHONY FOSTER DAY***

in Upper Darby Township and ask all of our citizens to congratulate Anthony for his success.

*Thomas N. Micozzie*  
Thomas N. Micozzie, Mayor  
Upper Darby Township

Audience applause.

### **Public Forum**

Mr. Bonnett: This is the time set aside for the public to speak. When you hear your name, come forward to the podium and state your name and address for the records. Comments are limited to five minutes.

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Olivia Taylor, 204 Kent Road  
Unhappy about BBQ Day in Cardington Field on October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Her comments are filed on tape.

Mr. Bonnett: Thank you. Does the Solicitor have any business this evening?

Solicitor: No, I do not.

Ms. Coles: I just have one brief comment to make. I want to thank all of the members of Council and the Administration who contributed to the Domestic Abuse Project fundraising efforts in October. October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and we had almost 100% participation from Upper Darby Township Council with donations toward Domestic Violence Awareness and, in particular, to the designer bag Bingo fundraiser that was held on Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. I just wanted to thank everyone for that. As you know, I have been very passionate about this issue during my time on Council and I also serve on the Board for the Domestic Abuse Project. I appreciate your support. Thank you.

Mr. Bonnett: Thank you, Sekela. I would like to say that as of yesterday, the Rosemont Avenue Bridge that crosses Darby Creek into Springfield Township has been officially dedicated and opened. Some of the residents were there at the time; State Representative Santora was there along as other colleagues in the State House, as well as the dignitaries from Springfield Township and the Mayor and I as well.

Mr. Bierling: I want to mention that we are about 7 months ahead of schedule on that.

Mr. Bonnett: Yes, the State and County are technically way ahead of schedule and everyone is very pleased. Bob, did you have a comment?

Mr. Gwin: Shall we remember the people who got killed in New York?

Mr. Bonnett: Yes, that's a good point. Do you want to call for a moment of silence?

Moment of silence.

At this time, a motion would be in order for adjournment.

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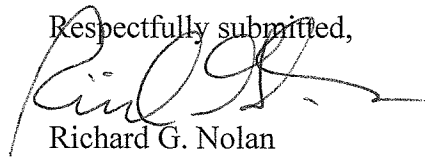
**Adjournment**

Mr. Wagner: So moved.

Ms. Coles: Second.

Mr. Bonnett: This meeting stands adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard G. Nolan", written in a cursive style.

Richard G. Nolan  
Chief Municipal Clerk

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