

**RESOLUTION R-2023-65
LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL**

*A Resolution of the Luzerne County Approving the Distribution of
American Rescue Plan Act Funds to West Hazleton Borough*

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (H.R. 1319) into law; and

WHEREAS, the \$1.9 trillion package, based on President Biden's American Rescue Plan, is intended to combat the COVID-19 pandemic, including the public health and economic impacts; and

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (American Rescue Plan) established the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund ("SLFRF") to provide governments with the resources needed to respond to the pandemic and its economic effects and to build a stronger, more equitable economy during the recovery; and

WHEREAS, SLFRF funds may be used to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to municipalities, small businesses and nonprofits, as well as for infrastructure related projects; and

WHEREAS, the Luzerne County Home Rule Charter at section 2.09.B.8., in part, requires Luzerne County Council to approve, by resolution adopted by affirmative vote of at least a majority of its current members, any contract or obligation that would result in a payment by the County of more than \$25,000 in any future calendar year for which no budget has been adopted; and

WHEREAS, Luzerne County Council desires to award ARPA funds to West Hazleton Borough for its Jaycee Drive bridge repair project.

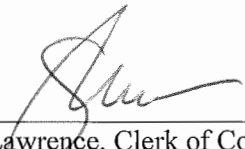
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Luzerne County Council hereby approves the award and disbursement of \$850,000.00 in ARPA to West Hazleton Borough for its bridge project subject to the same terms and conditions imposed upon all ARPA grant recipients.

This Resolution shall become effective immediately.

ADOPTED at a meeting of Luzerne County Council held on May 09, 2023.

ROLL CALL VOTE (11-0)

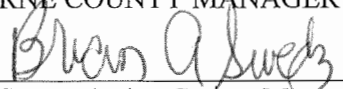
YES: Bienias, Lescavage, Lombardo, McDermott, McGinley, Mitchell, Perry, Radle, Thornton, SJ Urban and Wolovich

Attest: 
Sharon Lawrence, Clerk of Council

LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL

By: 
Kendra Radle, Chair

LUZERNE COUNTY MANAGER

By: 
Brian Swetz, Acting County Manager