Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission



Resolution

Whereas, Keystone Markers were produced and installed by the state Department of Highways, predecessor of today's Pennsylvania Department of Transportation beginning in the 1920s through 1942; and

Whereas, these cast iron signs provided historical information about the name of the town, distance to the next town, brief information about the derivation of the name, and the year in which the town was founded; and

Whereas, The Keystone Marker Trust (KMT) is a 501(c)3 non-profit, tax exempt organization dedicated to preserving, interpreting, and re-creating these proud symbols of our past as a way of orienting our Commonwealth toward a better future; and

Whereas, KMT celebrates Pennsylvania's people and places, its heritage and its future, by restoring and reintroducing these signs unique to our state; and

Whereas, KMT strives to create a network of Pennsylvania communities and organizations dedicated to positive development that is economically sound, environmentally responsible, and socially equitable; and

Whereas, www.keystonemarkertrust.org is a resource for organizations, individuals, and municipalities to showcase their historic preservation, community development, and learning/teaching achievements; and

Whereas, District Justice James Carn, a lifelong resident of Williamsport, is a founding member of the Keystone Marker Trust and a member of the Board of Directors and Officers; and

Whereas, Mr. Carn is personally responsible for restoring numerous Keystone Markers throughout the Commonwealth; has helped develop resources to produce new marker parts for repair and; and assists with identifying Keystone Markers throughout the Commonwealth and updating the Keystone Marker Database.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission commends Mr. Carn for his exemplary volunteer work with individuals, municipalities and organizations to install historically-accurate replacement markers and to adopt existing markers so that Keystone Markers will be maintained and preserved.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission at its October 24, 2011 meeting.



Barbara Franco

Executive Director