

**BOROUGH OF TARENTUM
ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
RESOLUTION 11-07**

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO CREATE TABACCO-FREE ZONES AT LOCAL PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS.

WHEREAS, in Pennsylvania, more than 858,000 young people are exposed to tobacco smoke pollution every day and the US Surgeon General has stated that there is **NO SAFE LEVEL OF EXPOSURE**, whether indoors or outdoors, and that children's exposure to second-hand smoke causes increased risk of sudden infant death syndrome, lower respiratory infections, middle ear diseases, more severe asthma, respiratory symptoms and slowed ling growth and is responsible for the premature deaths of over 430,000 Americans each year from lung cancer, heart disease, respiratory illness and other diseases; and

WHEREAS, second-hand smoke is responsible for over 50,000 deaths among nonsmokers each year; and

WHEREAS, tobacco kills more Americans each year than alcohol, cocaine, heroin, homicide, and suicide, accidents, fire and AIDS combined; and

WHEREAS, 80% of smokers started smoking before the age of 18, and the average initiation age is 12 years old; and

WHEREAS, everyday an estimated 3,900 young people under the age of 18 try their first cigarette and one-third of these children will die prematurely from tobacco related illnesses; and

WHEREAS, to help role model non-smoking behavior to children and youth; to provide children, youth and their families with a safe, smoke-free environment;

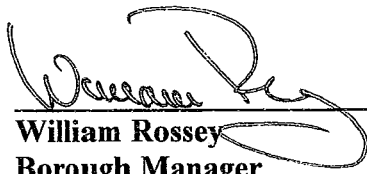
THEREFORE, the Borough of Tarentum, in the State of Pennsylvania resolves as follows:

That the areas of parks and playgrounds **where children are present** such as (Riverview Memorial Park Playground, Tot Wading Pool, Band Shell and Pavilion, Dreshar Stadium Ball Fields, James E. Wolfe Skateboard Park, Grandview Elementary School and Playground, etc.) in the Borough of Tarentum be designated tobacco-free areas.

“Violators will be immediately ejected from the park or recreational facility.”

RESOLVED AND ENACTED this 20th day of June, 2011.

ATTEST:



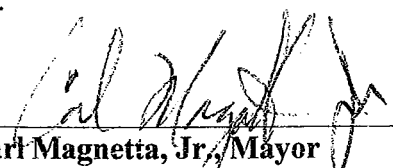
William Rossey
Borough Manager

BOROUGH OF TARENTUM



Timothy Rapp
President of Council

EXAMINED and approved this 20th day of June, 2011.



Carl Magetta, Jr., Mayor