RESOLUTION NO. 9-2022

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENE, BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA APPOINTING AND DESIGNATING NONPROFIT EMERGENCY SERVICES OF BEAVER COUNTY, t/d/b/a, MEDIC-RESCUE AND RESQRS AS THE PRIMARY RESPONDING AMBULANCE SERVICES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENE

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Greene finds it to be in the public interest to assure readily available and coordinated emergency medical services of the highest quality to the residents and visitors of the Township of Greene;

WHEREAS, the purpose of providing emergency medical service is to prevent premature death and reduce suffering and disability which arise from critical illness and injury;

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Board of Supervisors and the purpose of this Resolution to establish and maintain an effective and efficient emergency medical service system, which is accessible on a uniform basis to all residents and visitors of the Township of Greene;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors further intends that residents and visitors of the Township of Greene should be provided prompt access to basic and advanced life support emergency medical service throughout the Township of Greene;

WHEREAS, presently, Nonprofit Emergency Services of Beaver County, t/d/b/a, Medic-Rescue, (hereinafter "Medic-Rescue") and Hanover Ambulance Service (hereinafter "Hanover") are appointed as the primary ambulance service providers for Greene Township;

WHEREAS, presently, Hanover is no longer in operation/no longer provides ambulance services to Greene Township;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Board of Supervisors to keep Medic-Rescue as a primary ambulance service provider for the Township of Greene;

WHEREAS, Medic-Rescue is licensed by the Department of Health of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as an ambulance service, pursuant to the Emergency Medical Services Act (35 Pa. C.S. Section 8101, et seq.) to engage in the business and service of providing emergency medical services and transportation in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania;

WHEREAS, the Township of Greene is within Medic-Rescue's primary response area as designated by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and/or the regional EMS council for Western Pennsylvania/Beaver County;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of the Board of Supervisors to remove and replace Hanover with RESQRS Ambulance Service (hereinafter "RESQRS") as a primary ambulance service provider for the Township of Greene once RESQRS is FULLY OPERATIONAL AND FULLY LICENSED AND PERMITTED BY THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO OPERATE AS AN AMBULANCE SERVICE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENE;

WHEREAS, RESQRS is presently going through the process to be licensed by the Department of Health of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as an ambulance service, pursuant to the Emergency Medical Services Act (35 Pa. C.S. Section 8101, et seq.) to engage in the business and service of providing emergency medical services and transportation in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, if/when RESQRS is licensed by the Department of Health of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as an ambulance service, pursuant to the Emergency Medical Services Act (35 Pa. C.S. Section 8101, et seq.) to engage in the business and service of providing emergency medical services and transportation in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, RESQRS will also apply for Greene Township to be within RSQRS' primary response area as designated by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and/or the regional EMS council for Western Pennsylvania/Beaver County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Greene, Beaver County, Pennsylvania and it is hereby RESOLVED by the authority of the same as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> Medic-Rescue and RESQRS Ambulance are hereby designated as the primary responding ambulance services and for the Township of Greene and its residents and visitors.

<u>Section 2.</u> This designation of Medic Rescue and RESQRS Ambulance as the primary responding ambulance services shall be effective for a term of one (1) year from the date of adoption of this Resolution and from year to year thereafter, until notice of revocation of such designated status is given, in writing, at least sixty (60) days prior to the end of a term of designation.

<u>Section 3.</u> The Beaver County Emergency Services 911 Center is directed, to dispatch Medic-Rescue or RESQRS Ambulance for all non-emergency and emergency medical service calls emanating in the Township of Greene, if the caller does not state a preference.

<u>Section 4.</u> The Beaver County Emergency Services 911 Center shall retain discretion to dispatch a provider other than the primary provider in such instances where an exigent circumstance dictates that the health and well-being of the patient necessitates the dispatching of a licensed provider other than the primary(ies).

<u>Section 5.</u> It shall be the responsibility of the primary(ies) provider to maintain contact with the Beaver County Emergency Services 911 Center in a consistent manner in order for the Center to know the location of the provider's vehicles.

Section 6. NOTWITHSTANDING THE FOREGOING, RESQRS SHALL NOT COMMENCE PROVIDING AMBULANCE SERVICES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENE NOR SHALL THE BEAVER

COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES 911 CENTER DISPATCH RESQRS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENE, UNTIL RESQRS, AND ITS EMPLOYEES AND CONTRACTORS, ARE FULLY LICENSED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AS AN AMBULANCE SERVICE, PURSUANT TO THE EMERGENCY SERVICES ACT (35 PA. C.S. SECTION 8101, ET SEQ.), TO ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS AND SERVICE OF PROVIDING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND TRANSPORTATION IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND SPECIFICALLY, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENE.

<u>Section 7.</u> If RESQRS fails to obtain the aforementioned license from the PA Department of Health OR fails to be permitted to operate in Greene Township by the Commonwealth, the EMS Regional Council or any other Commonwealth entity, then RESQRS shall not be permitted to operate as an ambulance service in the Township of Greene.

<u>Section 8.</u> The provisions of this Resolution shall be effective immediately.

| RESOLVED AND ENACTED THIS _ | day of June, 2022. |
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| TOWNSHIP OF GREENE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS | |
| Michael R. Messner, Chairman | |
| ATTEST: | |
| Kimberly A. Moore, Secretary/Tro | easurer |