LETTER OF COMMENDATION

East Hempfield Township Police Department

September 23, 2015

Dear East Hempfield Township Police Department:

The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners is extremely pleased to recognize the members of the East Hempfield Township Police Department for their work in achieving the requirements of the Missing Kids Readiness Project by the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC).

NCMEC developed the Project to promote best practices for responding to calls of missing, abducted and sexually exploited children. To meet the requirements of the Project, East Hempfield Township Police Department worked with NCMEC to ensure that their missing child policy met the critical elements of NCMEC’s model policy for law enforcement agencies. In addition, Chief Stephen A. Skiles attended the Missing Children Seminar for Chief Executives held at NCMEC headquarters in Alexandria, Virginia, and ensured all first responders and front line supervisors completed the necessary classroom and/or online training offered through NCMEC. By demonstrating remarkable leadership and making this commitment of training and preparedness, East Hempfield Township Police Department is communicating to its citizens and families that protecting the lives and safety of their children is a top priority.

As just one of twenty-three law enforcement agencies in the United States and the second within the state of Pennsylvania to achieve this status, the East Hempfield Township Police Department is armed with the information, knowledge and operational resources necessary to respond quickly, comprehensively and effectively when a child’s life may be at stake.

On behalf of the citizens of Lancaster County, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to the East Hempfield Township Police Department for your diligence and commitment to the safety of our children and to congratulate you on achieving this designation.

Sincerely,

Dennis P. Stuckey, Chairman

Scott F. Martin, Vice Chairman

Craig E. Lehman

Board of Commissioners of
Lancaster County, Pennsylvania