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OF

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PREAMBLE

WE, the Democratic voters of Cheltenham Township, one (1) of the official municipal subdivisions of the Montgomery County Democratic Committee, represented through lawfully elected County Committee Persons in regular assembly, grateful for the blessings of free and popular government, in order to establish and ensure orderly and regular procedures so that our party may best serve and most truly represent the people who elected them, do ordain and establish these By-Laws or Rules.

ARTICLE I. CHELTENHAM TOWNSHIP DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

1. Business and Authority: The business and government of the Democratic Party of Cheltenham Township shall be conducted by the Cheltenham Township Democratic Committee which, except as hereinafter provided, shall have and exercise full power and authority subject to the laws of the Commonwealth and Nation and the Rules of the Democratic Party of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and also those of the County of Montgomery and Area Nine of the Montgomery County Democratic Committee.

2. Membership:

A. Voting: Members of the Township Committee shall be the County Committee people residing in Cheltenham Township elected in the following manner, or as otherwise modified by law: At the Spring Primary Election in each year in which the governor is elected in a regularly scheduled election, two County Committee persons shall be elected by the qualified Democratic electors of each election district in the Township. They shall be elected to serve from the day following the date of election as

certified by *the* Montgomery County Board of Elections until the day following the next Primary Election in an even-numbered year, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

B. Ex-officio: All registered Democrats holding elected office within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or within the Democratic Party, who shall reside in Cheltenham Township, as well as all officers of the Township Committee, Ward Leaders and Line Representatives selected as provided herein, shall be ex-officio members of the Township Committee, but shall be without power to vote unless otherwise qualified so to do.

3. Qualifications: Qualifications to serve as Committee members shall be as follows: The member shall be an enrolled Democratic elector in the voting district which he or she represents, and shall have actual *and physical residence and not merely legal* residence in said voting district.

4. Duties: Township Committee members shall participate in meetings of Area Nine of the Montgomery County Democratic Committee and in meetings of the Township Committee; shall attempt to increase the enrollment of Democratic electors in their voting districts to a maximum; shall see that at least one nomination petition is properly circulated and filed for each public office for which nominations are to be made at each Primary election in their respective voting districts; shall organize political activity in their respective voting districts thoroughly and effectively to the end of achieving a maximum Democratic vote at the polls and Democratic majorities in the elections; shall champion and work for Democratic principles and integrity within the Party and the administration of government; and shall do all things necessary and proper

to effectuate these rules and the rules of the National, State, County and Area *Nine* Committees.

5. Vacancies: In case a vacancy occurs on the County Committee for any committee Post within Cheltenham Township, the remaining Committee member in such voting district shall recommend to the leader of the ward in which such voting district is located, a person to fill said vacancy. The person so recommended shall be qualified within the meaning of paragraph 3 hereof. If both Committee posts in any voting district become vacant, the *Ward Leader of said district* shall recommend two persons, both of whom shall be otherwise qualified within the meaning of paragraph 3 hereof. The Ward Leader shall convey such recommendation to the Township Executive Committee, which must approve the recommendation by a majority vote. If not approved, other recommendations shall be submitted in the same manner until the Executive Committee shall vote its approval. Upon approval of the Executive Committee, such designated person(s) shall be recommended to the Area Chairperson as required by the by-laws of Area Nine of the Montgomery County Democratic Committee.

6. Proxies: Any member of the Township Committee entitled to vote may, by signed written proxy, appoint as a substitute at any designated meeting any qualified Democratic elector resident in the same voting district. Such qualified substitutes may attend the stated meeting or any adjourned session thereof and participate therein with power of vote on behalf of the absent member. If such substitute is otherwise qualified to vote, he or she shall be entitled to cast such proxy vote in addition to his or her own vote. Any substitute otherwise qualified to vote may not cast more than one vote in addition to his or her own vote.

ARTICLE II. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

7. Officers: The officers of the Township Committee shall be the Township Committee Chairperson, *(all references to Chairperson shall include Co-Chairpersons in the event that the Committee has elected Co-Chairpersons. The maximum number of Co-Chairpersons shall be two)* a 1st Vice Chairperson, a 2nd Vice Chairperson, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, *a Parliamentarian, a Representative at Large;* and such assistants to any of these officers as shall be elected in accordance with these by-laws. No person shall hold more than one office at a time on the Township Committee. Such officers shall have the privilege of attendance and voice at all Township Committee meetings, but shall be without the power of vote unless otherwise qualified so to do; except that in the case of a tie vote, the Township Chairperson or other officer presiding in his or her stead, shall have the right to cast the deciding vote (unless otherwise specifically provided herein); provided further that the Chairperson or other presiding officer may not cast such deciding vote if he or she has already cast a vote as a member of the Township Committee. In case of a tie vote not otherwise broken by a deciding vote, the motion shall be considered defeated.

8. Committees: The Township Chairperson shall designate a Chairperson (or co-chairpersons, if deemed appropriate) and such members as he or she may deem appropriate of the following standing committees: Finance, Registration, Campaign, Publicity, Social, Young Democrats and By-Laws. The Township Chairperson shall also create such other committees as he or she may deem proper, and shall name a chairperson or co-chairpersons and such members, as he or she may deem appropriate.

9. Qualifications: The Township Committee officers, all committee chairpersons and all members of committees shall be enrolled Democratic electors of Cheltenham Township, but need not be *elected* members of the Township Committee from their respective voting districts.

10. Election of Officers: All officers of the Township Committee and assistants thereto, shall be elected by a majority vote of the voting members of the Township Committee at the organizational meeting required by paragraph 18, section V of the Rules of the Democratic Party of Montgomery County (commonly known as the County By-Laws). Each officer shall be elected at this meeting in separate elections in the order set forth in paragraph 8 herein (*with the exception of Representative at Large, which is an appointed position*), by a majority vote of the members present and voting except as otherwise provided herein. Election of line representatives, as set forth in paragraph 13, shall then be held. All such elections shall be by secret written ballot cast on roll call. *If there is only one candidate for an office, there shall be a voice vote for said position.*

11. Wards and Ward Leaders:

A. Wards: For purposes of Township Committee organization, the Cheltenham Township Committee shall be divided into wards, corresponding geographically to the Cheltenham Township Commissioner wards and each shall be designated by the same number as its corresponding Commissioner ward.

B. Time of Election: Within one week after the elections of the Township Committee officers, the Township Committee Chairperson shall call a meeting in each ward, at which meeting the members of the Township Committee residing in each ward shall elect a Ward Leader. *All references to Ward Leader shall include Co-Ward*

Leaders should the committee members in that ward deem it appropriate. However, at any meeting of the Township Executive Committee, each ward is entitled to one vote only from its Ward Leader or Co-ward Leaders.

C. Qualifications: Any enrolled Democrat residing within a ward may be designated as Ward Leader, and need not be a County Committee member or officer of the Township Committee.

D. Election: Each Ward Leader shall be elected by vote of the County Committee members residing in such ward. The person receiving the largest number of votes cast by such County Committee members shall be declared elected, provided he or she shall have received at least fifty percent (50%) of the votes cast. In case of a tie vote, the Township Committee Chairperson *shall toss a coin. Said coin tossing shall take place in public or in the presence of a mutually acceptable witness.* A quorum shall be required to hold such an election. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the elected committee persons within such ward.

12. Line Representative:

A. Designation and Election: At the organization meeting of the Township Committee, and at each election meeting thereafter, immediately following the election of Township Committee officers, there shall be elected by the Township Committee, one representative per 10,000 registered voters or fraction thereof, within the Township of *Cheltenham* to the Area Nine Executive Committee, as specified in paragraph 17, section I of the Area Nine By-Laws. These representatives shall be designated as “Line Representatives”.

B. Qualifications: Any enrolled Democratic elector, residing within the Township, may be elected as a Line Representative; provided however, that no two (2) Line Representatives shall reside in the same ward.

C. Procedure for Election: Immediately following the election of Township officers, nominations for the office of Line Representative shall be opened. After all nominations have been received, the person receiving a majority of votes cast by secret ballot shall be designated as a Line Representative. There shall then be stricken from the list of nominees any persons residing in the same ward in which the Line Representative already selected resides. Nominations shall then be reopened and to the list of nominees remaining shall be added any new nominations, except that no one residing in the ward in which the Line Representative already elected resides, shall be eligible. A second election shall then be held and the person receiving a majority of votes cast shall be designated as a Line Representative. There shall then be stricken from the list of nominees any persons residing in the *wards* in which the *first and* second Line Representatives reside. Nominations shall then be reopened and to the list of nominees remaining shall be added any new nominations, except that no one residing in the wards in which the Line Representatives already elected reside, shall be eligible. A third election shall then be held and the person receiving a majority of votes cast shall be designated as a Line Representative.

13. Terms of Office, Removal and Vacancies:

A. Terms of Office: All elective officers of the Township Committee,

including Ward Leaders and Line Representatives, shall serve from the time of their election until their successors are duly elected at the next organization meeting as specified in paragraph 28 of these By-Laws.

B. Removal: Any of the Township Committee Officers, Ward Leaders or Line Representatives, designated in paragraphs 8, 12 and 13 hereof, may be removed at a meeting specially called for that purpose after at least ten days written notice to all members of the Township Committee. Removal may only be done by affirmative vote, on a secret ballot, of three fourths of the entire Township Committee.

C. Vacancies:

(1) Township Committee Chairperson or Co-Chairpersons: Should the office of Township Committee Chairperson become vacant for any cause, the 1st Vice-Chairperson shall serve until a new Chairperson is elected. It shall be the duty of the 1st Vice-Chairperson to call a meeting for the purpose of selecting a new Township Chairperson within thirty (30) days after the vacancy occurs, and shall give to all members of the Township Committee at least ten (10) days notice of such meeting and the purpose thereof. The Chairperson so elected shall serve for the balance of the original term. *Should there be Co-Chairpersons at the time of the vacancy, the remaining Co-Chairperson shall serve as Chairperson until the next organization meeting or until a special meeting called for the purpose of choosing a new Co-Chairperson. The Committee always has the option of operating with a Chairperson as opposed to Co-Chairpersons.*

(2) Other Township Committee Officers and Line Representatives:
Should the offices of 1st Vice-Chairperson, 2nd Vice-Chairperson, Recording Secretary,

Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, *Parliamentarian* or of any Line Representative, become vacant for any cause, said office shall be filled by appointment of the Township Committee Chairperson and the new appointee shall serve until a successor has been elected. It shall be the duty of the Township Committee Chairperson to call a meeting for the purpose of electing a successor to the vacant office within thirty (30) days after the vacancy occurs. He or she shall give to all members of the Township Committee at least ten (10) days written notice of such meeting and the purpose thereof. The successor so elected shall serve for the balance of the original term.

(3) Ward Leaders: Should the office of Ward Leader become vacant, a successor Ward Leader shall be selected by the Township Committee Chairperson to serve until a successor has been elected. The successor Ward Leader shall be elected by the members of the County Committee residing in the affected ward, in the same manner as provided herein for the election of Ward Leaders. It shall be the duty of the Township Committee Chairperson to call a meeting of the members of the County Committee residing in the affected ward within thirty (30) days after the vacancy occurs. He or she shall give the committee members at least ten (10) days notice, either written or oral, of the meeting and the purpose thereof.

(4) Elective Offices, Township-wide: If the nomination for any office to be voted upon throughout the Township, or if any party office, election to which was made throughout the Township, in a primary election, shall become vacant for any cause after a primary election, such vacancy shall be filled unless otherwise provided by law, by a majority vote of the voting members of the Township Committee duly assembled. The Township Committee Chairperson and Recording Secretary shall certify said action

to the proper authorities. If the Rules of the Democratic Party in Area Nine of Montgomery County, or those of the State or County Democratic Committees provide that the nomination shall be made by another body, then the aforesaid Township Committee shall make an appropriate recommendation to the appropriate body.

(5) Elective Offices – Sub-Division: If the nomination for any office to be voted upon in any political sub-division within the Township, or if any party office election to which was made in such political sub-division in a primary election, other than County Committee Person, shall become vacant from any cause after a Primary Election, such vacancy shall be filled unless otherwise provided by law, by a majority vote of the voting members of the Township Committee for the voting districts comprising such political sub-division duly assembled upon call of the Township Committee Chairperson. The Chairperson shall make such certifications of said action as may be required to the proper authorities.

ARTICLE III. DUTIES AND SUCCESSION OF TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OFFICERS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

14. Township Committee Chairperson or Co-Chairpersons: It shall be the duty of the Township Committee Chairperson, except as may be otherwise provided in these Rules, to notify the members of the Township Committee and the Township Executive Committee of all meetings, to preside at same, to enforce the Rules of the Democratic Party and in all other respects to serve as the primary executive and authoritative head(s) of the Democratic Party in Cheltenham Township.

15. 1st VICE CHAIRPERSON: In the absence of the Township Committee

Chairperson, the 1st Vice Chairperson shall assume and perform all duties of the Township Committee Chairperson. At all other times, such person shall assume and perform such other duties as shall be delegated from time to time by the Township Committee.

16. 2nd VICE CHAIRPERSON: In the absence of the Chairperson and the 1st Vice Chairperson, the 2nd Vice Chairperson shall assume and perform all duties of the Chairperson and shall assume and perform such other duties as shall be delegated from time to time by the Township Committee Chairperson.

17. RECORDING SECRETARY: The Recording Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings of the Township Committee and the Township Executive Committee. *He or she* shall have custody of the minute books and shall produce them at all meetings of the Township Committee and the Township Executive Committee. (*Delete the following*: and shall bring to each meeting of the Township Committee or Township Executive Committee a copy of these Rules and a copy of ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER (revised).)

18. CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: The Corresponding Secretary shall be responsible for and conduct correspondence pertaining to resolutions, meetings and other business of the Township Committee. The Corresponding Secretary shall also present to the Township Committee, at its meetings, such correspondence as has been received and shall correspond on behalf of the Township Committee upon specific instruction from the Committee, the Executive Committee or the Township Chairperson only.

19. TREASURER: The Treasurer shall be the custodian of the Township Committee funds, all financial books, records, deposits and accounts and shall keep a detailed

account thereof. *He or she* shall make disbursements at the direction of the Township Committee Chairperson or the Township Executive Committee or the Township Committee, upon presentation of *appropriate documentation of expense*. *The Treasurer* shall report all receipts and disbursements to the Township Committee at any time when such report is requested by the Township Executive Committee, the Township Committee Chairperson or a majority of the voting members of the Township Committee. *The Treasurer shall make all reports required by the Election Board of Montgomery County.*

20. PARLIAMENTARIAN: *The Parliamentarian shall act as an advisor to the Township Committee on all procedural issues. He or she shall be responsible for determining whether a quorum is present to conduct the business of the Township Committee and Township Executive Committee. He or she shall bring to each meeting of the Township Committee or Township Executive Committee a copy of these Rules and a copy of ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER (revised).*

21. REPRESENTATIVE AT LARGE: *The Township Chairperson shall have the authority to fill this position at the discretion of the Chair, with the approval of the Executive Committee. This person will act as a senior advisor to the Township Committee and Executive Committee and be a voting member of the Executive Committee.*

22. ORDER OF RESPONSIBILITY OF OFFICERS: In the absence of the Chairperson and both Vice Chairpersons, their duties shall be assumed in the following order of availability: Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

23. STANDING COMMITTEES TO BE APPOINTED AS NEEDED:

(a) Finance Committee: It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to confer with the Township Committee on the preparation of an annual budget, and, with the support of the Township Committee, to raise the funds for the budget as approved. The Finance Committee shall coordinate fund-raising endeavors within the Township for all groups and candidates. The Finance Committee shall make periodic reports to the Township Committee Chairperson, Township Executive Committee and Township Committee. The Finance Committee shall communicate with the Treasurer and maintain continuous awareness of the condition of the Treasury.

(b) Registration Committee: It shall be the duty of the Registration Committee to lead and coordinate voter registration in the annual periods preceding both Primary and General Elections. The Registration Committee shall provide all forms, notify all Township Committee persons of special registration information, and assist them in identifying and registering prospective voters.

(c) Social Committee: It shall be the duty of the Social Committee to take the initiative in proposing social events and to provide leadership in organizing and conducting those events approved by the Township Committee. The Social Committee shall coordinate its activities with the Finance Committee for purposes of fund-raising.

(d) Young Democrats Committee: It shall be the duty of the Young Democrats Committee to coordinate the activities of the Young Democrats of the Township with the Township Committee. This shall include communication of all relevant information between the groups and marshalling support for Young Democrat endeavors. The Chairperson of *this committee* shall be a Young Democrat.

(e) By-Laws Committee: It shall be the duty of the By-Laws Committee

to keep the By-Laws of the Township, Area, County and State Committees under continuous review, and take the initiative in recommending to the Township Committee needed revisions. It shall be the duty of the By-Laws Committee to draft proposed amendments, including those requested by the Township Committee, to provide initiative in achieving consideration by the Township Committee of amendments proposed by the By-Laws Committee and to process fully and promptly amendments adopted. It shall further be the duty of the Chairperson of the By-Laws Committee to serve as counsel to the Township Committee, providing appropriate advice and service on legal matters. *The Parliamentarian, aforementioned in paragraph 21, shall serve as Chairperson of this committee.*

(f) Ad Hoc Committees: The Chairperson may form other committees as the Chairperson deems appropriate.

24. SUCCESSION: Any retiring officer of the Township Committee or Township Executive Committee, who may have in his or her custody or control any monies, property or documents of any nature belonging to under the jurisdiction of the Township Committee or its Executive Committee, shall preserve and turn the same over intact to his or her successor promptly upon retiring from office. If there were no successor at that time, the *transition should be* to the Township Committee Chairperson or to such person as the Township Executive Committee shall designate.

ARTICLE IV. TOWNSHIP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

25. COMPOSITION: There shall be a Township Executive Committee, which, except as otherwise provided herein, shall exercise the powers of the Township

Committee between meetings of that body. Such Executive Committee shall be composed of *the following*: the Township Committee Chairperson, both Vice Chairpersons, the Ward Leaders, the Recording Secretary, the Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, *the Parliamentarian, the Representative at Large* and the three Line Representatives to the Area Nine Executive Committee. There shall be, as members of the Executive Committee, without vote, all registered Democrats holding elective public office within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and within the Democratic Party, who reside in Cheltenham Township and all standing committee chairpersons, appointed by the Township Committee Chairperson. The Chairperson of the By-Laws Committee shall also serve the Township Executive Committee as counsel. Any member of the Township Executive Committee holding two or more voting offices of said *Executive* Committee shall nevertheless be entitled to cast only one vote. All former Chairpersons of the Township Committee, *who still reside in Cheltenham Township*, shall be ex-officio members of the Executive Committee, but shall be without power to vote unless otherwise qualified to do so.

26. PROXIES: Any member of the Township Executive Committee entitled to a vote shall have the power, in the event of his or her absence, to designate in writing, a proxy, who shall thereupon be entitled to attend a stated meeting or any adjourned session thereof and cast one vote in the place of the absent member. Such proxy shall be a registered Democrat, resident in Cheltenham Township, and may be a voting or non-voting member of the Executive Committee. However, no person shall hold more than one proxy. If the person holding such proxy is otherwise entitled to vote at the Executive

Committee, he or she shall be entitled to cast his or her own vote as well as the proxy vote.

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

27. ORGANIZATION MEETING: The members of the Township Committee shall meet for organization not later than the second Monday following the Spring Primary Election in each even-numbered year, provided however, that if the certification of the County Committee members has not been made at least five (5) days prior to that date, the organization meeting shall be fixed on a date not later than ten (10) days following the date of such certification. It is the intent of these Rules that the organization meeting shall be held subsequent to the organization meeting of the Area Nine Committee. The business of the organization meeting shall include, without limitation, the election of the Township Committee officers. The organization meeting shall *count* as one of the *nine* regular meetings hereinafter provided for.

28. REGULAR MEETINGS: There shall be at least *nine (9)* regular meetings per *year* of the Township Committee.

29. OTHER MEETINGS: The Township Committee Chairperson may from time to time call the Township Committee or the Township Executive Committee to a special meeting. *Said chair* shall call a special meeting of the Township Committee within ten (10) days after receipt of a written petition signed by not *less* than one third of such members. If the Township Committee Chairperson *or Co-Chairpersons* fails to call any meetings required by these Rules, the Area Chairperson or any other officer of the Area Committee may issue the call and conduct the meeting.

30. NO SMOKING: Smoking or carrying a lighted cigarette, cigar or pipe within the meeting room at any meeting held in accordance with these By-Laws shall be strictly prohibited.

31. NOTICE:

A. Every special meeting of the Township Committee shall be held at a time and place designated by the Township Chairperson in the call for the meeting. Notice of any special meeting shall be given *by e-mail to every member who has provided an e-mail address and by regular mail* to all other members of the Township Committee at least five (5) days in advance of said meeting.

B. Every meeting of the Township Executive Committee shall be held at the place designated by the Township Chairperson in the call for the meeting. Notice, *as above*, shall be given to every member of the Township Executive Committee within a reasonable time in advance of said meeting.

32. QUORUMS: At any meeting of the Township Committee, a quorum shall consist of one third of the Committee members, except for the organization meeting, which shall require a majority. At a meeting of the Township Executive Committee, a quorum shall consist of one third of the voting members of the Executive Committee. *Calculation of the quorum shall be the responsibility of the Parliamentarian, or in the absence of the Parliamentarian, the Chairperson shall appoint a member of the Committee to make said calculation.*

ARTICLE VI. ENDORSEMENT OF CANDIDATES

33. MEETINGS FOR ENDORSEMENT OF CANDIDATES: Within two

weeks prior to the first day fixed by law for the circulation of nomination petitions prior to a primary election or as soon thereafter as practicable: (a) The Township Committee Chairperson shall call the Executive Committee into session for the purpose of selecting candidates to be recommended to the Township Committee for nomination or election at the ensuing Primary Election for public office; and (b) the Township Committee Chairperson shall call a meeting of the Township Committee for the purpose of selecting candidates to be recommended to the Democratic electorate for nomination at the ensuing Primary Election for public office. The Township Committee Chairperson shall cause nomination petitions of the candidates thus endorsed to be circulated and properly filed with the appropriate authorities.

ARTICLE VII. RULES OF PROCEDURE

34. PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE: All meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the parliamentary procedure published in ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER (revised), except where such procedure is inconsistent with these Rules, the Rules of the Montgomery County Democratic Committee, and the Rules of the Democratic State Committee, the Rules of Area Nine Democratic Committee or the laws of the Commonwealth.

35. AGENDA: Unless altered or suspended by majority vote of the members present at any meeting, the Order of Business shall be as follows:

1. Call to order by Chairperson
2. Roll call of members
3. Minutes of previous meeting
4. Treasurer's report
5. Election of officers, if any to be held
6. Communications

7. Reports of committees
8. Old or unfinished business
9. New business
10. Adjournment

ARTICLE XIII. AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

36. PROCEDURE: Subject to Democratic Party Rules of Area Nine of Montgomery County Committee, Montgomery County Committee and State Committee, these Rules may be amended at any meeting of the Township Committee by affirmative vote of a majority of the voting members present, provided that written notice of the proposed amendment(s) shall have been mailed or delivered to all members at least ten (10) days before the meeting at which such action is taken.

ARTICLE IX. MISCELLANEOUS

37. CONSTRUCTION AND SEVERABILITY: The provisions of these Rules are severable and if any paragraph, section or clause of these Rules, or part thereof, is held not to conform to the Democratic Party Rules of Montgomery County, Area Nine of Montgomery County or the State Rules or not to be valid under the laws of the Commonwealth, such decisions shall not be construed to affect or invalidate any other provisions of these Rules or the Rules as a whole. It is hereby declared as the intent of these Rules that the same would have been adopted had such nonconforming or invalid provisions not been included therein. It is hereby further declared as the intent of the same that all provisions thereof be construed, insofar as it is possible, to conform to all other provisions in these same Rules, to the Democratic Party Rules of Montgomery

County, Area Nine of Montgomery County, and of the State Committee, and to the laws of the said Commonwealth.

38. EFFECTIVE DATE: These Rules shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Township Committee and shall be certified to the Montgomery County Democratic Executive Committee as required by the Rules of the Democratic Party of Montgomery County.

I hereby certify that the above Rules of the Democratic Party of Cheltenham Township, Montgomery County, have been approved by the Cheltenham Township Democratic Committee at a meeting held in *Elkins Park*, Pennsylvania on *July 10, 2006*.

DATE

JEFFREY A. MULDAWER

I hereby certify that the above Rules of the Democratic Party of Cheltenham Township, Montgomery County, have been approved by the Montgomery County Democratic Executive Committee at a meeting held in _____, Pennsylvania on _____, 2006.
