

**TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH FAYETTE  
ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING TOBACCO-FREE  
ZONES AT TOWNSHIP PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS**

Resolution No. 5 of 2013

**WHEREAS**, in Pennsylvania, more than 858,000 young people are exposed to tobacco smoke pollution every day and the U.S. Surgeon General has stated that there is no safe level of exposure, whether indoors or outdoors; and

**WHEREAS**, 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 lung 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**, secondhand smoke is responsible for over 50,000 deaths among nonsmokers each year; and tobacco kills more Americans each year than alcohol, cocaine, heroin, homicide, suicide, accidents, fire, and AIDS combined; and

**WHEREAS**, 80% of smokers began smoking before the age of 18, and the average initiation age is 12 years old; and every day an estimated 3,900 young people under the age of 18 try their first cigarette and one-third of those children will die prematurely from tobacco-related illnesses; and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH FAYETTE THAT**

1. All parks and playgrounds, picnic areas, sports and playing fields, parking lots, and other areas where children are present shall be designated tobacco-free;
2. Appropriate signage will be posted designating tobacco-free areas;
3. The community will be notified of this resolution;
4. Violators will immediately be ejected from the park or recreational facility;
5. At the discretion of the Township of South Fayette, violators will be subject to a fine of no more than \$ 600.00

- 6. Repeat violators will be subject to such additional penalties as the Township of South Fayette hereafter establishes by its fee ordinance or resolution; and
- 7. This resolution has been approved by the municipal officers of the Township of South Fayette.

DULY ADOPTED this 17th day of July, 2013 by the  
Township of South Fayette.

ATTEST: J. Deron Gabriel  
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J. Deron Gabriel  
Printed Name

Pres., Bd. of Commis  
Title  
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RYAN T. EGGLESTON  
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