

Doylestown Township
Bucks County, PA
RESOLUTION # 2599

WHEREAS, Doylestown Township was established as a Bird Town in 2011 and there are street signs in the township promoting our dedication to the effort; and

WHEREAS, most bird migration in the United States of America occurs in the Spring between April 1st and May 31st and in the Fall between August 15th and November 15th; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 1 billion birds are killed each year due to nighttime light pollution; and

WHEREAS, bird migration is one of nature's great wonders; and

WHEREAS, birds typically follow established flyways, which are routes that offer the best opportunities for rest and refueling along the way; and

WHEREAS, Doylestown Township is part of one of the four important Migration Flyways called the Atlantic Flyway, which birds use; and

WHEREAS, more than 50 cities and states, including Philadelphia, Harrisburg and Pittsburgh, participate in the Lights Out Program initiated by the Audubon Society and its partners,

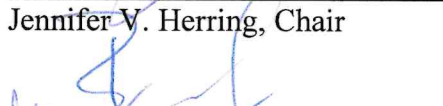
WHEREAS, good alternatives to lighting that is dangerous to birds are readily available, including using motion detectors for outdoor lighting, ensuring that outdoor lights are covered so the light goes downward, (e.g., via the use of "cutoff" fixtures), putting lights on a timer and dimmer, and implementing orange or red lighting with correlated color temperatures (CCT) of less than or equal to 2200 degrees Kelvin; and

NOW THEREFORE, be resolved, Doylestown Township supports the Lights Out Program and encourages Doylestown Township residents and commercial property owners take a small part to help birds in this migration process by converting exterior light bulbs to orange or red hues and ≤ 2200 Kelvins and voluntarily dimming, blocking, or turning off exterior lighting or using motion detectors on lighting between the hours of 11 PM and 5AM during the Spring and Fall migration dates of April 1st to May 31st and August 15th to November 15th.

DULY ADOPTED by Doylestown Township Supervisors this Tuesday, May 21, 2024.



Jennifer V. Herring, Chair



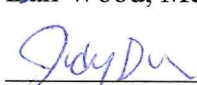
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