

**LOWER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**PROCLAMATION:  
2018 – YEAR OF THE BIRD**

**WHEREAS**, Birds symbolize nature's interconnectedness and importance of caring for our shared planet; and

**WHEREAS**, Birds are important for pollination, pest control, rodent control, seed propagation weed control, nutrient recycling, beauty and bird watching is beneficial to mental health; and

**WHEREAS**, Each spring and fall hundreds of thousands of migratory songbirds fly through Lower Providence Township and are sited at the John James Audubon Center at Mill Grove, Valley Forge National Historic Park and Evansburg State Park and counted by local bird watchers; and

**WHEREAS**, Over 170 species of birds are recorded in Lower Providence Township and many of these migrate through or are residents of the township that they use for food and shelter; and

**WHEREAS**, Six species of birds are recorded in Lower Providence Township including American Kestrel, Common Nighthawk, Willow Flycatcher, Common Goldeneye, Louisiana Waterthrush, and Blue-winged Warbler that are listed on the Conservation Network as "Birds of Concern" in need of conservation actions; and


**WHEREAS**, Birding Activities bring people into Lower Providence Township and aid the economy, an example of where birds thrive – people prosper; and

**WHEREAS**, 2018 is the centennial year of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act which protects birds in our backyards, like the Wood Thrush and Eastern Kingbird.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Board of Supervisors of Lower Providence Township does hereby proclaim 2018 the Year of the Bird and urge all citizens to take due note of the observance.

**PROCLAIMED** this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October 2018.

**LOWER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

  
Patrick Duffy, Chairman

**ATTEST:**

  
Donald Delamater, Secretary