

**RESOLUTION NO. 121222-3**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF  
THE BOROUGH OF GETTYSBURG, ADAMS COUNTY,  
PENNSYLVANIA, ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL  
CRITERIA FOR CERTIFICATION OF VOLUNTEERS  
PROVIDING FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES UNDER  
THE BOROUGH OF GETTYSBURG VOLUNTEER  
SERVICE CREDIT PROGRAM TO CLAIM LOCAL TAX  
CREDITS.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Act 172 of 2016 (35 Pa. C.S.A. § 79A01 et seq.), governing incentives for municipal volunteers of fire companies and nonprofit emergency medical services agencies, municipal governments are authorized to grant local tax credits to active volunteers of fire companies and nonprofit emergency medical services agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, by Ordinance No. 1486-22, enacted on December 12, 2022, the Borough Council of the Borough of Gettysburg (hereinafter referred to as the “Ordinance”), the Borough of Gettysburg authorized certain tax credits against tax liability imposed by the annual tax on real estate and the annual tax on earned income, as levied by the Borough of Gettysburg, as incentives for the use and benefit of certain individuals who are qualified and certified as active volunteers for the provision of fire protection and emergency rescue services in the Borough as provided by and through the Gettysburg Fire Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ordinance establishes a volunteer service credit program and authorizes local tax credits for volunteers providing fire protection and emergency rescue services for the Gettysburg Fire Department who have complied with and are certified under the volunteer service credit program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ordinance provides that the Borough Council shall establish, by resolution, the annual criteria that must be met to qualify for credits under the volunteer service credit program.

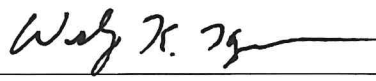
**WHEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Gettysburg does hereby establish the certification criteria for the volunteer service credit program eligibility period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

A volunteer must meet at least one of the three following certification requirements in addition to the minimum emergency incident responses and residency requirements:

1. A firefighter must be certified to the NFPA 1001 standard for Firefighter I or greater by the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy, the National Professional Board on Fire Service Qualifications, the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress, or by another state in the United States, provided that the certification involved successful testing to the NFPA 1001 standard, and is agreed upon by the fire chief and Borough officials; and/or
2. A driver/operator must be certified to the NFPA 1002 standard for Driver/Operator-Pumper and/or Driver/Operation-Aerial by the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy, the National Professional Board on Fire Service Qualifications, the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress, or by another state in the United States, provided that the certification involved successful testing to the NFPA 1002 standard, and is agreed upon by the fire chief and Borough officials; and/or
3. A fire police officer must be certified to the NFPA 1091 standard for Traffic Incident Management Personnel by the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy, the National Professional Board on Fire Service Qualifications, the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress, or by another state in the United States, provided that the certification involved successful testing to the NFPA 1091 standard, and is agreed upon by the fire chief and Borough officials; and
4. A volunteer must respond to at least fifty (50) emergency incidents with the Gettysburg Fire Department in the applicable year; and
5. A volunteer must maintain primary residence within the Borough of Gettysburg.

**THIS RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED** according to law on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022, at a duly advertised monthly general business meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Gettysburg, Adams County, Pennsylvania.

**BOROUGH OF GETTYSBURG**

By:   
Wesley K. Heyser  
President of Borough Council

Attest:

  
Sara L. Stull, Secretary