A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 Proposing integrated amendments to the Constitution of the
- 2 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and further providing for
- 3 Legislative Reapportionment.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby resolves as follows:
- 6 Section 1. The following integrated amendments to the
- 7 Constitution of Pennsylvania are proposed in accordance with
- 8 Article XI:
- 9 That section 17 of Article II be amended to read:
- 10 § 17. <u>Citizens</u> Legislative Reapportionment Commission.
- 11 (a) In each year following the year of the Federal decennial
- 12 census, a <u>Citizens</u> Legislative Reapportionment Commission shall
- 13 be constituted for the purpose of reapportioning the
- 14 Commonwealth. The advisory commission shall act by a majority of
- 15 its entire membership.
- 16 (b) The advisory commission shall consist of [five] fourteen
- 17 members[: four of whom shall be the majority and minority

- 1 leaders of both the Senate and the House of Representatives, or
- 2 deputies appointed by each of them, and a chairman selected as
- 3 hereinafter provided. No later than 60 days following the
- 4 official reporting of the Federal decennial census as required
- 5 by Federal law, the four members shall be certified by the
- 6 President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House
- 7 of Representatives to the elections officer of the Commonwealth
- 8 who under law shall have supervision over elections.] five of
- 9 whom shall be registered with the largest political party in
- 10 this Commonwealth based on registration, five of whom shall be
- 11 registered with the second largest political party in this
- 12 Commonwealth based on registration, and four of whom shall not
- 13 be registered with either of the two largest political parties
- 14 <u>in this Commonwealth based on registration</u>.
- 15 (1) By January 1, 2020, and in each year of a Federal
- 16 decennial census thereafter, the Secretary of the Commonwealth
- 17 shall initiate an application open to all qualified electors in
- 18 this Commonwealth.
- 19 (2) The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall disqualify an
- 20 applicant if the applicant or a member of the applicant's
- 21 <u>immediate family</u>, within the 10 years immediately preceding the
- 22 <u>date of application, was:</u>
- 23 (i) Appointed to, elected to or served as a candidate for
- 24 Federal or State office.
- 25 (ii) Served as an officer, employee or paid consultant of a
- 26 political party or of a campaign committee of a candidate for
- 27 <u>elective Federal or State office.</u>
- 28 (iii) Served as an elected or appointed member of a
- 29 political party committee.
- 30 <u>(iv) Served as a registered Federal or State lobbyist.</u>

- 1 (v) Served as paid congressional, legislative or local
- 2 government staff.
- 3 (vi) Employed as staff or a consultant to, a person under a
- 4 contract with, or any person with an immediate family
- 5 relationship with the Governor, a member of the General
- 6 Assembly, a member of Congress or a member of the judiciary.
- 7 (b.1) No later than 60 days after initiating the application
- 8 process, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall establish an
- 9 Applicant Review Panel, consisting of the following members:
- 10 (1) The Auditor General of the Commonwealth or a designee.
- 11 (2) The Attorney General of the Commonwealth or a designee.
- 12 (3) Four legislative appointees who are not current or past
- 13 members of the General Assembly or staff of a member of the
- 14 General Assembly, appointed as follows:
- 15 (i) One individual appointed by the President pro tempore of
- 16 the Senate.
- 17 (ii) One individual appointed by the Minority Leader of the
- 18 Senate.
- 19 (iii) One individual appointed by the Speaker of the House
- 20 of Representatives.
- 21 (iv) One individual appointed by the Minority Leader of the
- 22 <u>House of Representatives.</u>
- 23 (b.2) The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall, no later than
- 24 August 1, 2020, and in each year of a Federal decennial census
- 25 thereafter, publish the names of the applicants not disqualified
- 26 under subsection (b)(2), which shall constitute the applicant
- 27 pool, in the Pennsylvania Bulletin and provide copies of their
- 28 applications to the Applicant Review Panel.
- 29 (b.3) (1) From the applicant pool, the Applicant Review
- 30 Panel shall select 60 of the most qualified applicants,

- 1 consisting of 20 who are registered with the largest political
- 2 party in this Commonwealth based on registration, 20 who are
- 3 registered with the second largest political party in this
- 4 <u>Commonwealth based on registration and 20 who are not registered</u>
- 5 with either of the two largest political parties in this
- 6 Commonwealth based on registration. The applicants in the
- 7 subpools shall be selected on the basis of their relevant
- 8 <u>analytical skills and ability to be impartial</u> and appreciation
- 9 for this Commonwealth's diverse demographics and geography.
- 10 (2) The members of the panel shall not communicate with any
- 11 Senator, Representative, member of Congress or their
- 12 representatives or staff, about any matter related to the
- 13 <u>nomination process or applicants prior to the presentation by</u>
- 14 the panel of the pool of recommended applicants to the Secretary
- 15 of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House of
- 16 Representatives.
- 17 (b.4) No later than October 1, 2020, and in each year of a
- 18 Federal decennial census thereafter, the Applicant Review Panel
- 19 shall present its pool of recommended applicants to the
- 20 Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House of
- 21 Representatives. No later than November 15, 2020, and in each
- 22 year of a Federal decennial census thereafter, the President pro
- 23 tempore of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the
- 24 Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Minority Leader
- 25 of the House of Representatives may veto no more than two
- 26 applicants from each subpool of 20 for a total of eight possible
- 27 removals per subpool. After the legislative leaders have
- 28 exercised their veto, the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief
- 29 Clerk of the House of Representatives shall jointly present the
- 30 pool of remaining names to the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

- 1 (b.5) No later than November 20, 2020, and in each year of a
- 2 Federal decennial census thereafter, the Secretary of the
- 3 Commonwealth shall randomly draw eight names from the remaining
- 4 pool of applicants as follows:
- 5 (1) Three from the remaining subpool of applicants
- 6 registered with the largest political party in this Commonwealth
- 7 based on registration.
- 8 (2) Three from the remaining subpool of applicants
- 9 registered with the second <u>largest political party in this</u>
- 10 Commonwealth based on registration.
- 11 (3) Two from the remaining subpool of applicants who are not
- 12 registered with either of the two largest political parties in
- 13 this Commonwealth based on registration. These eight individuals
- 14 shall serve on the Citizens Legislative Reapportionment
- 15 Commission.
- (b.6) No later than December 31, 2020, and in each year of a
- 17 Federal decennial census thereafter, the eight commissioners
- 18 selected under subsection (b.5) shall review the remaining names
- 19 in the pool of applicants and appoint six applicants to the
- 20 advisory commission as follows:
- 21 (1) Two from the remaining subpool of applicants registered
- 22 with the largest political party in this Commonwealth based on
- 23 registration.
- 24 (2) Two from the remaining subpool of applicants registered
- 25 with the second largest political party in this Commonwealth
- 26 based on registration.
- 27 (3) Two from the remaining subpool of applicants who are not
- 28 registered with either of the two largest political parties in
- 29 this Commonwealth based on registration. The six appointees must
- 30 be approved by at least five affirmative votes that must include

- 1 at least two votes of commissioners registered from each of the
- 2 two largest parties and one vote from a commissioner who is not
- 3 affiliated with either of the two largest political parties in
- 4 this Commonwealth. The six appointees shall be chosen to ensure
- 5 the advisory commission reflects this Commonwealth's diversity,
- 6 including, but not limited to, racial, ethnic, geographic and
- 7 gender diversity, but it is not intended that formulas or
- 8 specific ratios be applied for this purpose. Applicants shall
- 9 also be chosen based on their relevant analytical skills and
- 10 ability to be impartial.
- 11 [The four members within] (b.7) Within 45 days after their
- 12 certification [shall select the fifth member, who] fourteen
- 13 members shall select an individual from the advisory commission
- 14 to serve as chairman [of the commission], and shall immediately
- 15 certify his name to [such elections officer] the Secretary of
- 16 the Commonwealth. [The chairman shall be a citizen of the
- 17 Commonwealth other than a local, State or Federal official
- 18 holding an office to which compensation is attached.]
- 19 If the [four] <u>fourteen</u> members fail to select [the fifth
- 20 member] a chairman within the time prescribed, a majority of the
- 21 entire membership of the Supreme Court within 30 days thereafter
- 22 shall appoint the chairman as aforesaid and certify his
- 23 appointment to [such elections officer] the Secretary of the
- 24 Commonwealth.
- 25 Any vacancy in the <u>advisory</u> commission shall be filled within
- 26 15 days [in the same manner in which such position was
- 27 originally filled] by the remaining members of the advisory
- 28 commission from the final subpool of candidates from the same
- 29 political party as the departing member.
- 30 (c) No later than 90 days after either the advisory

- 1 commission has been duly certified or the population data for
- 2 the Commonwealth as determined by the Federal decennial census
- 3 are available, whichever is later in time, the advisory
- 4 commission shall [file a preliminary reapportionment plan with
- 5 such elections officer] perform such duties as specified in this
- 6 section for the purpose of reapportioning the Commonwealth.
- 7 [The commission shall have 30 days after filing the
- 8 preliminary plan to make corrections in the plan.
- 9 Any person aggrieved by the preliminary plan shall have the
- 10 same 30-day period to file exceptions with the commission in
- 11 which case the commission shall have 30 days after the date the
- 12 exceptions were filed to prepare and file with such elections
- 13 officer a revised reapportionment plan. If no exceptions are
- 14 filed within 30 days, or if filed and acted upon, the
- 15 commissions's plan shall be final and have the force of law.
- 16 (d) Any aggrieved person may file an appeal from the final
- 17 plan directly to the Supreme Court within 30 days after the
- 18 filing thereof. If the appellant establishes that the final plan
- 19 is contrary to law, the Supreme Court shall issue an order
- 20 remanding the plan to the commission and directing the
- 21 commission to reapportion the Commonwealth in a manner not
- 22 inconsistent with such order.
- (e) When the Supreme Court has finally decided an appeal or
- 24 when the last day for filing an appeal has passed with no appeal
- 25 taken, the reapportionment plan shall have the force of law and
- 26 the districts therein provided shall be used thereafter in
- 27 elections to the General Assembly until the next reapportionment
- 28 as required under this section 17.
- 29 (f) Any district which does not include the residence from
- 30 which a member of the Senate was elected whether or not

- 1 scheduled for election at the next general election shall elect
- 2 a Senator at such election.
- 3 (g) The General Assembly shall appropriate sufficient funds
- 4 for the compensation and expenses of members and staff appointed
- 5 by the commission, and other necessary expenses. The members of
- 6 the commission shall be entitled to such compensation for their
- 7 services as the General Assembly from time to time shall
- 8 determine, but no part thereof shall be paid until a preliminary
- 9 plan is filed. If a preliminary plan is filed but the commission
- 10 fails to file a revised or final plan within the time
- 11 prescribed, the commission members shall forfeit all right to
- 12 compensation not paid.
- 13 (h) If a preliminary, revised or final reapportionment plan
- 14 is not filed by the commission within the time prescribed by
- 15 this section, unless the time be extended by the Supreme Court
- 16 for cause shown, the Supreme Court shall immediately proceed on
- 17 its own motion to reapportion the Commonwealth.
- 18 (i) Any reapportionment plan filed by the commission, or
- 19 ordered or prepared by the Supreme Court upon the failure of the
- 20 commission to act, shall be published by the elections officer
- 21 once in at least one newspaper of general circulation in each
- 22 senatorial and representative district. The publication shall
- 23 contain a map of the Commonwealth showing the complete
- 24 reapportionment of the General Assembly by districts, and a map
- 25 showing the reapportionment districts in the area normally
- 26 served by the newspaper in which the publication is made. The
- 27 publication shall also state the population of the senatorial
- 28 and representative districts having the smallest and largest
- 29 population and the percentage variation of such districts from
- 30 the average population for senatorial and representative

- 1 districts.]
- 2 (j) Unless otherwise directed by court order, legislative
- 3 and congressional redistricting shall only be permitted once in
- 4 the decade following the Federal decennial census.
- 5 (k) (1) The commission shall acquire appropriate
- 6 <u>information</u>, review and evaluate available facilities and
- 7 develop programs and procedures in preparation for drawing
- 8 congressional and legislative redistricting plans on the basis
- 9 <u>of each Federal census.</u>
- 10 (2) As soon as possible after January 1 of each year ending
- 11 in one, the commission shall obtain from the United States
- 12 Bureau of the Census information regarding geographic and
- 13 political units in this Commonwealth for which Federal census
- 14 population data has been gathered and will be tabulated. The
- 15 commission shall use the data obtained for all of the following:
- 16 (i) To describe geographic and political units for which
- 17 <u>census data will be reported and which are suitable for use as</u>
- 18 components of legislative districts.
- 19 (ii) To prepare maps of counties, cities, incorporated
- 20 boroughs, towns, boroughs, townships, wards and other geographic
- 21 units within this Commonwealth, which may be used to illustrate
- 22 the locations of legislative district boundaries proposed in
- 23 plans drawn in accordance with subsection (d).
- 24 (iii) To utilize the population data needed for legislative
- 25 districting which the Census Bureau is required to provide this
- 26 Commonwealth under 13 U.S.C. § 141 (relating to population and
- 27 other census information) to assign a population number based
- 28 upon census data to each geographic or political unit described
- 29 pursuant to subparagraph (i). Upon completing that task, the
- 30 commission shall begin the preparation of congressional and

- 1 <u>legislative districting plans as required by subsection (c).</u>
- 2 (3) All information collected under this section shall be
- 3 posted for public inspection on the commission's Internet
- 4 website as soon as it is available.
- 5 (1) (1) Not later than February 15 of each year ending in
- 6 one, a five-member temporary redistricting advisory commission
- 7 shall be established as provided under subsection (e). The
- 8 advisory commission's only functions shall be those prescribed
- 9 <u>under subsection (f)</u>. All advisory commission meetings shall be
- 10 advertised and open to the public. All communications between
- 11 the commission and the advisory commission regarding a plan
- 12 shall be in writing and part of the public record.
- 13 (2) Not later than April 1 of each year ending in one, the
- 14 <u>commission shall deliver to the advisory commission a</u>
- 15 preliminary plan of legislative and congressional districting
- 16 prepared in accordance with subsection (d).
- 17 (3) Upon receipt of the preliminary plan the advisory
- 18 commission shall:
- 19 <u>(i) As expeditiously as reasonably possible but no later</u>
- 20 than 30 days after receiving the preliminary plan, schedule and
- 21 conduct at least five public hearings on the plan in different
- 22 <u>geographic regions of this Commonwealth.</u>
- 23 (ii) Within 10 days following completion of the hearings,
- 24 promptly prepare and submit to the Secretary of the Senate, the
- 25 Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives and the commission a
- 26 report summarizing information and testimony received by the
- 27 commission in the course of the hearings. The advisory
- 28 <u>commission's report</u> shall include any comments and conclusions
- 29 which its members deem appropriate on the information and
- 30 testimony received at the hearings or otherwise presented to the

- 1 commission and shall be posted for public inspection on the
- 2 advisory commission's Internet website.
- 3 (iii) The commission shall have 30 days after receiving the
- 4 advisory commission report to prepare a revised plan of
- 5 legislative and congressional districting prepared in accordance
- 6 with subsection (d) taking into account public comments on the
- 7 preliminary plan insofar as it is possible to do so within the
- 8 requirements of subsection (d) and deliver identical bills
- 9 embodying the revised legislative district plan and identical
- 10 bills embodying the revised congressional district plan to the
- 11 advisory commission, the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief
- 12 Clerk of the House of Representatives.
- 13 (iv) The General Assembly shall bring the bills to a vote in
- 14 both the Senate and the House of Representatives not less than
- 15 seven days but no more than 20 days after the bills have been
- 16 <u>delivered in accordance with subparagraph (iii) under a</u>
- 17 procedure or rule permitting no amendments. It is further the
- 18 intent of this section that, if the bill is approved by the
- 19 first House in which it is considered, it shall be brought to a
- 20 vote in the second House within 10 days under a similar
- 21 procedure or rule.
- 22 (4) (i) If the bill embodying the revised plan submitted by
- 23 the commission under paragraph (3)(iii) fails to be approved by
- 24 a constitutional majority in either the Senate or the House of
- 25 Representatives, the Secretary of the Senate or the Chief Clerk
- 26 of the House of Representatives, as the case may be, shall at
- 27 once transmit to the commission information which the Senate or
- 28 House of Representatives may direct regarding reasons why the
- 29 revised plan was not approved.
- 30 (ii) The commission shall prepare a bill embodying a final

- 1 plan of legislative and congressional districting prepared in
- 2 accordance with subsection (m) taking into account the reasons
- 3 cited by the Senate or House of Representatives for its failure
- 4 to approve the revised plan insofar as it is possible to do so
- 5 within the requirements of subsection (m). If a final plan is
- 6 required under this subsection, the bill embodying it shall be
- 7 delivered to the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of
- 8 the House of Representatives no later than 14 days after the
- 9 date of the vote by which the Senate or the House of
- 10 Representatives fails to approve the bill submitted under
- 11 paragraph (1), whichever date is later.
- 12 <u>(iii) It is the intent of this section that, if it is</u>
- 13 necessary to submit a bill under this paragraph, the bill be
- 14 brought to a vote within the same time period after its delivery
- 15 to the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House
- 16 of Representatives as is prescribed for the bill submitted under
- 17 paragraph (3), but shall not be subject to amendment in the same
- 18 manner as other bills.
- 19 (5) If either House fails to bring a bill embodying a final
- 20 plan to a vote within the prescribed time, the plan embodied in
- 21 that bill shall be the adopted plan. If a bill embodying a final
- 22 plan is voted upon but fails to receive a constitutional
- 23 majority of either or both Houses of the General Assembly, then
- 24 the revised and final plan shall be sent to the chief elections
- 25 officer who shall choose one of them by lot as the adopted plan.
- 26 (6) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1), (2) and (3):
- 27 (i) If population data from the Federal census which is
- 28 <u>sufficient to permit preparation of a congressional districting</u>
- 29 plan becomes available at an earlier time than the population
- 30 <u>data needed to permit preparation of a legislative districting</u>

- 1 plan in accordance with subsection (d), the commission shall so
- 2 inform the advisory commission. If the advisory commission so
- 3 directs, the commission shall prepare a separate bill
- 4 establishing congressional districts and submit it separately
- 5 from the bill establishing legislative districts.
- 6 (ii) It is the intent of this section that the General
- 7 Assembly shall proceed to consider the congressional districting
- 8 bill in the manner prescribed by paragraphs (1), (2) and (3).
- 9 (iii) If the population data for legislative districting
- 10 which the United States Census Bureau is required to provide
- 11 this Commonwealth under 13 U.S.C. § 141 is not available to the
- 12 commission on or before February 1 of the year ending in one,
- 13 the dates set forth in this section shall be extended by a
- 14 number of days equal to the number of days after February 1 of
- 15 the year ending in one that the Federal census population data
- 16 for legislative districting is received.
- 17 (m) (1) Legislative and congressional districts shall be
- 18 established on the basis of population as follows:
- 19 (i) Senatorial and representative districts, respectively,
- 20 shall each have a population as nearly equal as practicable to
- 21 the ideal population for such districts, determined by dividing
- 22 the number of districts to be established into the population of
- 23 this Commonwealth reported in the Federal decennial census.
- 24 Senatorial districts and representative districts shall not vary
- 25 in population from the respective ideal district populations
- 26 except as necessary to comply with one of the other standards
- 27 enumerated in this section. In no case shall the quotient,
- 28 obtained by dividing the total of the absolute values of the
- 29 deviations of all district populations from the applicable ideal
- 30 district population by the number of districts established,

- 1 exceed 2.5% of the applicable ideal district population. No
- 2 <u>senatorial district shall have a population which exceeds that</u>
- 3 of any other senatorial district by more than 5%, and no
- 4 representative district shall have a population which exceeds
- 5 that of any other representative district by more than 5%.
- 6 (ii) Congressional districts shall each have a population as
- 7 <u>nearly equal as practicable to the ideal district population,</u>
- 8 <u>derived as prescribed in subparagraph (i). No congressional</u>
- 9 <u>district shall have a population which varies by more than 2.5%</u>
- 10 from the applicable ideal district population.
- 11 (iii) If an action is filed with the Supreme Court under
- 12 <u>subsection (i) alleging excessive population variance among</u>
- 13 districts established in the adopted plan, the commission has
- 14 the burden of justifying any variance in excess of the standards
- 15 <u>described in subparagraphs (i) and (ii).</u>
- 16 (2) To the extent consistent with paragraph (1), district
- 17 <u>boundaries shall coincide with the boundaries of political</u>
- 18 <u>subdivisions of this Commonwealth. Unless absolutely necessary,</u>
- 19 no county, city, incorporated town, borough, township or ward
- 20 <u>shall be divided in forming a congressional</u>, senatorial or
- 21 representative district. The advisory commission shall include
- 22 <u>an addendum to the plan explaining why a division is made for</u>
- 23 any division made in the plan. With respect to any congressional
- 24 or legislative plan, when there is a choice between dividing
- 25 <u>local political subdivisions</u>, the more populous subdivisions
- 26 shall be divided before the less populous, but this provision
- 27 does not apply to a legislative district boundary drawn along a
- 28 county line which passes through a city that lies in more than
- 29 one county.
- 30 (3) Districts shall be composed of convenient contiquous

- 1 territory. Areas which meet only at the points of adjoining
- 2 corners are not contiguous.
- 3 (4) It is preferable that a district be compact in form with
- 4 a compactness measurement of not less than 15% of the total
- 5 <u>ideal measurement for the district</u>, but the standards
- 6 established by paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) take precedence over
- 7 compactness where a conflict arises between compactness and
- 8 these standards. In general, compact districts are those which
- 9 are square, rectangular or hexagonal in shape to the extent
- 10 permitted by natural or political boundaries.
- 11 (5) No district shall be drawn for the purpose of favoring a
- 12 political party, incumbent legislator or member of Congress or
- 13 other person. In establishing districts, no use shall be made of
- 14 any of the following data:
- 15 (i) Addresses of incumbent legislators or members of
- 16 Congress or of any other person.
- 17 (ii) Political affiliations of registered voters.
- 18 <u>(iii) Previous election results.</u>
- 19 (6) Each bill embodying a plan drawn under this section
- 20 shall provide that notwithstanding the adoption of a
- 21 redistricting plan, for the purposes of filling a vacancy during
- 22 the legislative session in which redistricting occurs, such
- 23 vacancy shall be filled from the same geographic district in
- 24 which the previous individual was most recently elected.
- 25 (7) Each bill embodying a plan drawn under this section
- 26 shall include provisions for election of senators to the General
- 27 Assembly which take office in the years ending in three and
- 28 five, which shall be in conformity with section 16 of this
- 29 <u>article.</u>
- 30 (n) Any district which does not include the residence from

- 1 which a member of the Senate was elected whether or not
- 2 scheduled for election at the next general election shall elect
- 3 <u>a Senator</u> at such election.
- 4 (o) (1) The members of the temporary redistricting advisory
- 5 commission established in subsection (c)(1) shall be selected as
- 6 follows:
- 7 (i) Each of the four selecting authorities shall certify to
- 8 the chief election officer his appointment of a person to serve
- 9 on the advisory commission. The certifications may be made at
- 10 any time after December 1 of the year ending in zero.
- 11 (ii) Within 30 days after the four selecting authorities
- 12 have certified their respective appointments to the advisory
- 13 commission, but in no event later than February 15 of the year
- 14 ending in one, the four advisory commission members so appointed
- 15 shall select, by a vote of at least three members, and certify
- 16 to the chief election officer the fifth advisory commission
- 17 <u>member who shall serve as chairperson.</u>
- 18 (iii) If the four members fail to select the fifth member
- 19 within the time prescribed, a majority of the membership of the
- 20 <u>Supreme Court within 30 days thereafter shall appoint the</u>
- 21 chairman as aforesaid and certify his appointment to such
- 22 <u>elections officer.</u>
- 23 (iv) A vacancy on the advisory commission shall be filled by
- 24 the initial selecting authority within 15 days after the vacancy
- 25 <u>occurs.</u>
- 26 <u>(v) Members of the advisory commission shall receive travel</u>
- 27 expenses and reimbursement for other necessary expenses incurred
- 28 in performing their duties under this section.
- 29 (2) No person shall be appointed to the advisory commission
- 30 <u>who:</u>

- 1 (i) Is not an eligible elector of this Commonwealth at the
- 2 time of selection.
- 3 (ii) Holds partisan public office or political party office.
- 4 (iii) Is a relative of or is employed by a member of the
- 5 General Assembly or of the United States Congress or is employed
- 6 <u>directly by the General Assembly or by the United States</u>
- 7 <u>Congress</u>.
- 8 (p) The functions of the advisory commission shall be as
- 9 follows:
- 10 (1) If, in preparation of any plan as required by this
- 11 section, the commission is confronted with the necessity to make
- 12 any decision for which no clearly applicable guideline is
- 13 provided by subsection (d), the commission may submit a written
- 14 request for direction to the advisory commission.
- 15 (2) (i) Prior to delivering any plan on any bill embodying
- 16 that plan to the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of
- 17 the House of Representatives in accordance with subsection (c),
- 18 the commission shall provide to persons outside the commission
- 19 staff only such information regarding the plan as may be
- 20 required by policies agreed upon by the advisory commission.
- 21 (ii) This paragraph does not apply to data furnished to the
- 22 commission by the United States Bureau of the Census.
- 23 (3) Upon each delivery by the commission to the advisory
- 24 commission or the General Assembly of a plan or bill embodying a
- 25 plan, pursuant to subsection (c), the advisory commission shall
- 26 at the earliest feasible time make available to the public and
- 27 <u>post on the advisory commission's Internet website the following</u>
- 28 information:
- 29 (i) Copies of the bill delivered by the commission to the
- 30 General Assembly.

- 1 (ii) Maps illustrating the plan.
- 2 (iii) A summary of the standards prescribed by subsection
- 3 (m) for development of the plan.
- 4 (iv) The full legal description of each district included in
- 5 the plan.
- 6 (v) A statement of the population of each district included
- 7 in the plan and the relative deviation of each district
- 8 population from the ideal district population.
- 9 (vi) An explanation of any deviation from any standard
- 10 specified in subsection (m)(1)(i) and (ii), along with any
- 11 <u>document used to support the deviation</u>.
- 12 (q) The preliminary and adopted congressional and
- 13 <u>legislative redistricting plans shall be published by the chief</u>
- 14 <u>elections officer once in at least one newspaper of general</u>
- 15 <u>circulation in each congressional</u>, <u>senatorial</u> and representative
- 16 <u>district</u>. The publication shall contain a map of the
- 17 Commonwealth showing the complete redistricting of congressional
- 18 and legislative districts, and a map showing the districts in
- 19 the area normally served by the newspaper in which the
- 20 <u>publication</u> is made. The <u>publication</u> shall also state the
- 21 population of the congressional, senatorial and representative
- 22 <u>districts having the smallest and largest population and the</u>
- 23 percentage variation of such districts from the average
- 24 population for congressional, senatorial and representative
- 25 districts.
- 26 <u>(r) The advisory commission shall expire and its</u>
- 27 responsibilities shall terminate when a redistricting plan is
- 28 adopted and shall be reconstituted no later than February 15 in
- 29 the year following the next Federal decennial census.
- 30 Notwithstanding the expiration of the advisory commission, all

- 1 information which was made publicly available on the advisory
- 2 commission's Internet website shall be transferred to the
- 3 website of the commission and shall remain available to the
- 4 public until the next advisory commission comes into existence.
- 5 (s) (1) Any aggrieved person may file an appeal from the
- 6 adopted plan directly to the Supreme Court within 60 days after
- 7 the passage thereof. If the appellant establishes that the
- 8 adopted plan is contrary to law, the Supreme Court shall issue
- 9 an order remanding the plan to the commission and directing the
- 10 <u>commission to redistrict the Commonwealth in a manner not</u>
- 11 <u>inconsistent with such order.</u>
- 12 (2) If the Supreme Court finds that the adopted plan is
- 13 unconstitutional, it shall order the commission to make the
- 14 necessary revisions to the plan and to submit the plan with
- 15 revisions to the Supreme Court for approval.
- 16 (t) The term of office of each member of the Citizens
- 17 Legislative Reapportionment Commission shall expire upon the
- 18 appointment of the first member of the succeeding commission. No
- 19 person may be appointed to the commission more than once.
- 20 (u) The following words and phrases when used in this
- 21 section shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection
- 22 unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 23 "Advisory commission." The temporary redistricting advisory
- 24 commission established pursuant to this section.
- 25 "Chief election officer." The Secretary of the Commonwealth
- 26 or a designee.
- 27 "Commission." The Citizens Legislative Reapportionment
- 28 Commission established pursuant to this section.
- 29 "Federal census." The decennial census required by Federal
- 30 law to be conducted by the United States Bureau of the Census in

- 1 <u>every year ending in zero.</u>
- 3 (1) The Majority Leader of the Senate.
- 4 (2) The Minority Leader of the Senate.
- 5 (3) The Majority Leader of the House of Representatives.
- 6 (4) The Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.
- 7 <u>"Partisan public office."</u>
- 8 (1) An elective or appointive office in the executive or
- 9 <u>legislative branch or in an independent establishment of the</u>
- 10 <u>Federal Government</u>.
- 11 (2) An elective office in the executive or legislative
- 12 branch of the government of this Commonwealth or an office which
- 13 <u>is filled by appointment.</u>
- 14 (3) An office of a county, city or other political
- 15 <u>subdivision of this Commonwealth which is filled by an election</u>
- 16 process involving nomination and election of candidates on a
- 17 partisan basis.
- 18 "Plan." The comprehensive map and legal description for
- 19 <u>congressional and legislative redistricting</u> or the separate maps
- 20 and legal descriptions for congressional redistricting drawn up
- 21 <u>pursuant to the requirements of this article.</u>
- 22 <u>"Political party office." An elective office in the national</u>
- 23 <u>or State organization of a political party</u>.
- 24 <u>"Relative." An individual who is related to the person in</u>
- 25 question as father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister,
- 26 uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife,
- 27 grandfather, grandmother, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-
- 28 <u>law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather,</u>
- 29 <u>stepmother</u>, <u>stepson</u>, <u>stepdaughter</u>, <u>stepbrother</u>, <u>stepsister</u>, <u>half</u>
- 30 brother or half sister.

- 1 Section 2. (a) Upon the first passage by the General
- 2 Assembly of these proposed constitutional amendments, the
- 3 Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to
- 4 comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article
- 5 XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the
- 6 required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in
- 7 which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after
- 8 passage of these proposed constitutional amendments.
- 9 (b) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of these
- 10 proposed constitutional amendments, the Secretary of the
- 11 Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the
- 12 advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the
- 13 Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required
- 14 advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such
- 15 newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of
- 16 these proposed constitutional amendments. The Secretary of the
- 17 Commonwealth shall submit the proposed constitutional amendments
- 18 to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth as a single
- 19 ballot question at the first primary, general or municipal
- 20 election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance
- 21 with section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania
- 22 and which occurs at least three months after the proposed
- 23 constitutional amendments are passed by the General Assembly.
- 24 Section 3. Upon ratification by the electors of the
- 25 amendment of section 16 of Article II of the Constitution of
- 26 Pennsylvania, the General Assembly shall enact legislation to
- 27 implement this constitutional amendment so that it applies for
- 28 the first time to the first session of the General Assembly
- 29 which begins after the 2020 reapportionment.

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