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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

No. 871 Session of  
2015

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INTRODUCED BY EICHELBERGER, HUTCHINSON AND MCGARRIGLE,  
JUNE 2, 2015

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REFERRED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT, JUNE 2, 2015

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), entitled  
2 "An act concerning townships of the first class; amending,  
3 revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating  
4 thereto," in corporate powers, further providing for the  
5 corporate power of first class townships vested in the board  
6 of township commissioners.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Clause LXIX of section 1502 of the act of June  
10 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), known as The First Class Township  
11 Code, reenacted and amended May 27, 1949 (P.L.1955, No.569), and  
12 amended March 30, 1988 (P.L.300, No.36), is amended to read:

13 Section 1502. The corporate power of a township of the first  
14 class shall be vested in the board of township commissioners.

15 The board shall have power--

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17 LXIX. Appropriations for Observances [and], Celebrations and  
18 Recognitions. To appropriate:

19 (1) annually an amount for the observance of holidays,  
20 centennials or other anniversaries or for township celebrations

1 or civic projects or programs[.]; and  
2 (2) money for the purpose of flowers, plaques or other  
3 tokens of tangible personal property, other than cash, gift  
4 certificates or equivalent items, in an amount not to exceed one  
5 hundred dollars, recognizing the service or passing of a  
6 township official, employe or volunteer. The value of any  
7 tangible personal property received by the township official,  
8 employe or volunteer shall be considered of de minimis economic  
9 impact as that term is defined in 65 Pa.C.S. § 1102 (relating to  
10 definitions) and shall not be subject to reporting in accordance  
11 with 65 Pa.C.S. § 1105 (relating to statement of financial  
12 interests).

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14 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.