



**PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP  
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING NEW, STRICTER REGULATIONS  
PROPOSED BY PENNSYLVANIA'S DEPARTMENT OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
BOARD REGARDING PER-AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES  
(PFAS) MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVELS**

**RESOLUTION 2022-14**

**WHEREAS**, per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) have been used since the 1940's to make products resistant to water, heat, oil, and grease, such as carpets, furniture fabrics, clothing, adhesives, food packaging, non-stick cooking surfaces, the insulation of electrical wire, and more; and

**WHEREAS**, many PFAS, including perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS) and perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), are a concern because they do not break down in the environment, can move through soils and contaminate drinking water sources, and build up (bioaccumulate) in fish and wildlife; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pennsylvania's Department of Environmental Protection Environmental Quality Board has proposed stricter limits for PFOS and PFOA, compared with federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) limits; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pennsylvania rule would set a maximum contaminant level of 18 parts per trillion for perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS) and 14 parts per trillion for perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA). Both are stricter than the U.S. EPA's ruling of 70 parts per trillion for both; an

**WHEREAS**, this rulemaking not only would protect our environment from elevated levels of contamination and pollution but also protects the public health of Pennsylvanians.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of Plainfield Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

1. All "WHEREAS" clauses are incorporated herein as though more fully set forth at length.
2. The Plainfield Township Board of Supervisors strongly supports the new, stricter regulations proposed by the Pennsylvania's Department of Environmental Protection Environmental Quality Board which will not only protect the environment from elevated levels of contamination and pollution, but also protects the public health of Pennsylvanians.
3. The Plainfield Township Board of Supervisors strongly supports a maximum contaminant level of 18 parts per trillion for perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS) and 14 parts per trillion for perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA).

4. The Plainfield Township Board of Supervisors requests that this Resolution be accepted by the DEP as the township's official public comments.

**DULY ADOPTED**, April 13, 2022 by the Plainfield Township Board of Supervisors.

**ATTEST:**



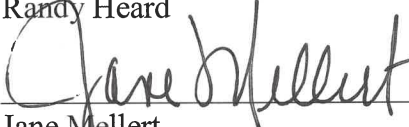
Thomas Petrucci, Township Manager

**PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

By:   
Glenn Borger, Chairman

By: **Voted in favor.**  
Stephen Hurni, Vice-Chairman

By: **Not present**  
Randy Heard

By:   
Jane Mellert

By:   
Donald Moore

**CERTIFICATE**

I, Thomas R. Petrucci, duly qualified Secretary of the Township of Plainfield, Northampton County, PA, hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the Plainfield Township Board of Supervisors at the regular meeting held on **April 13, 2022** and that said Resolution has been recorded in the Minutes of the Township of Plainfield and remains in effect as of this date.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I affix my hand and attach the seal of the Township of Plainfield, this **13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022**.



Thomas Petrucci, Township Manager