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Richland Township Supervisor Elected to Township Association's Executive Committee

EDITORS: A high-resolution photo of Bob Heffelfinger is available at www.psats.org under "Newsroom" and then "PSATS Board & Staff Photos."

Members of the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors have elected Robert B. Heffelfinger, a supervisor for Richland Township in Cambria County, to a three-year term on the association's Executive Committee.

The election took place during PSATS' 97th Annual Educational Conference and Exhibit Show, held April 14-17 in Hershey. This is the largest municipal event of its kind in the state, with close to 4,000 attendees. The conference attracted township officials from every county in Pennsylvania except Philadelphia, which has no townships.

The seven-member Executive Committee, the association's five officers, and the immediate past president make up the Executive Board, which is responsible for managing the affairs of the state association. The board meets frequently throughout the year to oversee association business and plan new projects that will benefit member townships.

The Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors represents Pennsylvania's 1,454 townships of the second class and is committed to preserving and strengthening township government and securing greater visibility and involvement for townships in the state and federal political arenas. Townships of the second class cover 95 percent of Pennsylvania's land mass and represent more residents — 5.5 million — than any other type of political subdivision in the commonwealth.

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Heffelfinger is a member of PSATS' Grassroots Advocacy Network, which addresses legislative issues that affect every Pennsylvanian who lives in a township of the second class. He also serves on the association's Townships Over 10,000 Population Committee and was previously a workshop moderator during PSATS' Annual Educational Conference and a member of the Annual Conference Planning Committee.

He serves as vice chairman of Richland Township Board of Supervisors, deputy chief of the Richland Township Fire Department, and president of the Cambria County Association of Township Officials. He is also president of the Cambria County 911 Advisory Board, a member of the Cambria County Metropolitan Planning Organization, and president of the Highland Community Library. In addition, he serves on the PAC Committee for the Hiram G. Andrews Center, is involved with Crime Stoppers, and is a speaker at various educational and business organizations in the community. He previously served as fire chief, president, and various other administrative and officer positions with the Richland Township Fire Department.

Heffelfinger, who is executive vice president of Advanced Office Systems, Inc., lives in Johnstown.

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