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Montgomery County Township Manager **Wins State Association's Leadership Award**

Larry Gregan, manager of Montgomery Township in Montgomery County, received the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors' 30th Annual President's Leadership Award this morning during the association's Excellence Awards ceremony.

The event, which recognizes the significant achievements of townships and township officials across the state, was held as part of PSATS' 97th Annual Educational Conference and Exhibit Show in Hershey. Today is the opening day of the conference, which has attracted attendees from every county in Pennsylvania except Philadelphia, which has no townships.

Each year, the association presents the Leadership Award, established in 1990, to a township supervisor and administrator, such as a secretary or manager, whose outstanding projects or programs have benefited their communities.

Gregan, who has worked for the township for 12 years and will be retiring at the end of the year, joins an elite group of local government officials who have received the award, one of the highest

honors that PSATS bestows. A former staff sergeant in the U.S. Army Reserves, he has more than three decades of experience working in communities in southeastern Pennsylvania and Florida.

“I have watched Larry for years as manager of this busy and growing township balance the needs and desires of the businesses, the residents, and quite frankly, the considerable traffic, to help the board of supervisors achieve its vision of the township as a great place to live, work, and raise a family,” retired state Rep. Kate Harper said.

During his current tenure, Gregan has:

- Overseen the construction of a 40,000-square-foot community and recreation center;
- Founded the Pennsylvania Stormwater Coalition, which has 45 municipal members in the southeast;
- Led the creation of the county's tax collection committee;
- Helped the township preserve a piece of land next to the township park; and
- Directed multiple events to celebrate the township's tricentennial.

“I have often said that being a township manager is one of the toughest jobs in the world, and Larry does it very, very well,” Harper said. “Larry Gregan is a superstar.”

Michael J. Fox, chair of the township's board of supervisors, agrees: “Larry has been an immeasurable asset to our community. This is demonstrated through his leadership and experience in navigating the township through many important and challenging projects.”

In addition to his work for Montgomery Township, Gregan is active in the Montgomery County Consortium of Communities, the Montgomery County Association of Township Officials, the Association for Municipal Management, the International City Management Association, and the Montgomery County Tax Collection Committee.

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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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