**SAMPLE NEWS RELEASE**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEEK 2024**

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**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Township Celebrates**

**Pa. Local Government Week April 8-14**

Pennsylvania Local Government Week is April 8-14, and **{Fill in township name} Township** is proud to join communities across the state in recognizing the critical role that local government plays in the lives of our residents and businesses.

In these challenging times, ensuring that our community has access to essential infrastructure is more crucial than ever. From well-maintained roads and bridges to reliable water and sewer systems, trash collection, and public safety services, our local government provides the backbone for our daily lives. And now, broadband internet service has become an integral and essential part of the new infrastructure.

**{Fill in Township Name} Township**, along with over **1,400 other townships** in Pennsylvania, are the “boots on the ground” in helping the community stay safe and persist through whatever challenges present themselves.

According to Board of Supervisors Chair {fill in first and last name here}, “Our dedicated township supervisors understand our community intimately because they live and work here. Local government works in Pennsylvania because we are committed to solving problems with a practical, common-sense approach.”

Established to be a direct reflection and representation of the people who live there, townships are places where residents have a voice in what happens and where services provided do not exceed what the community needs or can afford. Our neighbors oversee these efforts, working tirelessly to meet the needs of our fellow residents.

“As we celebrate **Local Government Week**, let us recognize the vital role that townships play in our democratic system. We are on the front lines, serving our community every day, regardless of the challenges we face,” {fill in last name here} says.

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