

Bill No. 3710-08

APPOINTMENT

Approving the reappointment of Thomas W. Headley to serve as a member of the Agricultural Land Preservation Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2010.


In Council March 18, 2008.

Read and approved by Motion of Council.



Rich Fitzgerald
President of Council

Attest:


John Mascio
Chief Clerk of Council



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January 24, 2008

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL

Honorable President and Members
Allegheny County Council
119 Courthouse
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

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Dear Council Members:

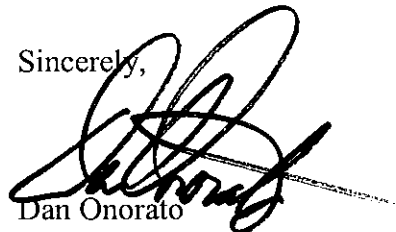
Please find the attached resume of Thomas W. Headley, whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Agricultural Land Preservation Board.

The purpose of the Agricultural Land Preservation Board is to purchase the development rights of undeveloped farm land in Allegheny County. These development rights are held as easements against the property, meaning that the land cannot be developed. Created by State law (ACT 149 of 1988) and funded by the State. I am recommending that Mr. Headley serve another 3-year term ending on December 31, 2010.

Mr. Headley is the current Executive Director of Westmoreland Heritage and is also the Owner/Operator of Hilltop Farm. Mr. Headley restored the main house and outbuildings on an 84 acre farm dating from the 1860's where he raises endangered species of poultry.

I appreciate your consideration, and ask you to act on this appointment as quickly as possible. Mr. Headley will make himself available for review before the appropriate committee if members of Council wish to speak with him.

Sincerely,



Dan Onorato

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Work Experience

2002-Present

Executive Director, Westmoreland Heritage

- Manage this collaborative effort to promote historical tourism as an economic development strategy as well as to create a better understanding of the rich history of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. This program, based at The University of Pittsburgh Greensburg Campus reports to the President of the University of Pittsburgh.

1967-1998

Other Business Experience

- Thirty years of Executive and management experience with leading companies in the specialty metals recycling business including Omnisource, ELG Metals, and Steelmet Inc.
- Various supervisory positions with United States Steel Corp.

1991-Present

Owner/Operator-Hilltop Farm

- Restored the main house and outbuildings on this 84 acre farm dating from the 1860's where we breed and raise endangered species of poultry.

Community and Public Service

- Currently Vice-chairman, Forward Township Board of Supervisors
- Previously President, Vice-president, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Twin Rivers Council of Governments
- Chairman of the Twin Rivers Regional Planning Committee

- Founding Member of the Forward Township Agricultural Security Area
- Member of the Allegheny County Agricultural Land Preservation Board
- Board Member of the Allegheny County Association of Township Officials
- Member of the Board of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Heritage Preservation Commission and Chairman of the Strategic Planning Committee of this Federal Commission
- Member of the Rotary Club of Greensburg-Paul Harris Fellow
- Member of the Board of the Westmoreland County Historical Society
- Awarded an Arthur St. Clair Historic Preservation Award by the Westmoreland County Historical Society in 2005

Historic and Preservation Activities

- Enrolled our farm in the Pennsylvania Agricultural Land Preservation program. It will remain farmland in perpetuity
- Restored 4 homes in the Allegheny County including the 1840 Peter Boyer House which was awarded a Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation plaque
- Member of numerous historical organizations including:
 - The National Trust for Historic Preservation
 - Pennsylvania Heritage Society
 - Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation
 - Westmoreland County Historical Society
 - Monongahela Area Historical Society
- Member of various conservation organizations including:
 - American Farmland Trust
 - Allegheny Land Trust

Education

- Georgia Institute of Technology BS degree in Industrial Engineering
- Numerous Executive Development Courses