

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
HARRISBURG

PROCLAMATION

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT - ARTICLE VIII

WHEREAS, Joint Resolution No.2 of the 1982 Session of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania (House Bill No.202, Printer's No.3375) proposed to amend Article VIII of the Constitution of Pennsylvania by amending subsection (b) of section 2 thereof by adding a clause authorizing special tax provisions for taxpayers in certain areas, the said amended section to read as follows:

§ 2. Exemptions and special provisions.

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(b) The General Assembly may, by law:

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(v) Establish standards and qualifications by which local taxing authorities in counties of the first and second class may make uniform special real property tax provisions applicable to taxpayers who are longtime owner-occupants as shall be defined by the General Assembly of residences in areas where real property values have risen markedly as a consequence of the refurbishing or renovating of other deteriorating residences or the construction of new residences.

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WHEREAS, The said Joint Resolution was passed by two successive General Assemblies of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, The aforesaid proposed Constitutional Amendment was submitted for approval by the qualified electors of the Commonwealth at an election held on November 6, 1984; and

WHEREAS, The Secretary of the Commonwealth has certified to me that the aforesaid proposed Constitutional Amendment was approved by the electorate on the aforesaid day;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dick Thornburgh, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to 1 Pa.C.S. § 903, do proclaim and pronounce that the aforesaid Constitutional Amendment was adopted by a majority of the electors voting thereon on November 6, 1984.

GIVEN under my hand and the Great Seal of the State, at the City of Harrisburg, this twenty-fourth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-five, and of the Commonwealth the two hundred and ninth.

DICK THORNBURGH
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WILLIAM R. DAVIS
Secretary of the Commonwealth

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PROCLAMATION

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT - ARTICLE I

WHEREAS, Joint Resolution No.2 of the 1984 Session of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania (Senate Bill No.299, Printer's No.503) proposed to amend Article I of the Constitution of Pennsylvania by amending section 9 thereof to permit the use of suppressed voluntary admissions or confessions to impeach a defendant's credibility, the said amended section to read as follows:

§ 9. Rights of accused in criminal prosecutions.

In all criminal prosecutions the accused hath a right to be heard by himself and his counsel, to demand the nature and cause of the accusation against him, to meet the witnesses face to face, to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and, in prosecutions by indictment or information, a speedy public trial by an impartial jury of the vicinage; he cannot be compelled to give evidence against himself, nor can he be deprived of his life, liberty or property, unless by the judgment of his peers or the law of the land. The use of a suppressed voluntary admission or voluntary confession to impeach the credibility of a person may be permitted and shall not be construed as compelling a person to give evidence against himself.

WHEREAS, The said Joint Resolution was passed by two successive General Assemblies of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, The aforesaid proposed Constitutional Amendment was submitted for approval by the qualified electors of the Commonwealth at an election held on November 6, 1984; and

WHEREAS, The Secretary of the Commonwealth has certified to me that the aforesaid proposed Constitutional Amendment was approved by the electorate on the aforesaid day;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dick Thornburgh, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to 1 Pa.C.S. § 903, do proclaim and pronounce that the aforesaid Constitutional Amendment was adopted by a majority of the electors voting thereon on November 6, 1984.

GIVEN under my hand and the Great Seal of the State, at the City of Harrisburg, this twenty-third day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-five, and of the Commonwealth the two hundred and ninth.

DICK THORNBURGH
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WILLIAM R. DAVIS
Secretary of the Commonwealth