

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
HARRISBURG

PROCLAMATION

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
ARTICLE V, SECTION 16(b)

WHEREAS, Joint Resolution No. 3 of 2013 and Joint Resolution No. 1 of 2015 proposed to amend Article V, Section 16(b) of the Constitution of Pennsylvania to read:

§ 16. Compensation and retirement of justices, judges and justices of the peace.

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(b) Justices, judges and justices of the peace shall be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years. Former and retired justices, judges and justices of the peace shall receive such compensation as shall be provided by law. Except as provided by law, no salary, retirement benefit or other compensation, present or deferred, shall be paid to any justice, judge or justice of the peace who, under section 18 or under Article VI, is suspended, removed or barred from holding judicial office for conviction of a felony or misconduct in office or conduct which prejudices the proper administration of justice or brings the judicial office into disrepute.

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WHEREAS, Joint Resolution No. 3 of 2013 was agreed to by a majority of the members elected to each House of the General Assembly and published pursuant to Article XI, Section 1 of the Constitution of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, in the General Assembly next afterwards chosen, the aforesaid amendment to Article V, Section 16(b) of the Constitution of Pennsylvania was proposed in Joint Resolution No. 1 of 2015, which was agreed to by a majority of the members elected to each House of the General Assembly and published pursuant to Article XI, Section 1 of the Constitution of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid proposed amendment to Article V, Section 16(b) of the Constitution of Pennsylvania was submitted for approval to the qualified electors of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania pursuant to Article XI, Section 1 of the Constitution of Pennsylvania at an election held on November 8, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Commonwealth, pursuant to law, has certified to me that the aforesaid proposed amendment to Article V, Section 16(b) of the Constitution of Pennsylvania was approved by a majority of those voting thereon on the aforesaid day; and

WHEREAS, Section 903 of Title 1 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes requires the Governor, upon receiving the aforesaid certification of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to issue his proclamation indicating whether or not the proposed amendment to Article V, Section 16(b) of the

Constitution of Pennsylvania has been adopted by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Tom Wolf, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim that the aforesaid amendment to Article V, Section 16(b) of the Constitution of Pennsylvania was adopted by a majority of the electors voting thereon on November 8, 2016.

GIVEN under my hand and the Great Seal of the Commonwealth, at the City of Harrisburg, this twelfth day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen and of the Commonwealth the two hundred and forty-first.

TOM WOLF
Governor

ATTEST:

ROBERT TORRES

Executive Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth