

RESOLUTION NO. 2017- 04

WHEREAS, it is deemed by this Council that local police departments, in the best interests of the safety and well-being of The People in their communities, should be entitled the use of the most modern and accurate equipment to enforce local speed limits, and;

WHEREAS, current state laws prohibit local law enforcement from the use of Radar timing equipment towards these ends, and;

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is the only state in the United States of America that does not allow its municipal police to use radar, and because Pennsylvania law allows motorists to travel faster in municipalities where radar is prohibited from being used and because the curvatures and slopes of roadways limit the locations where speed can be enforced *by means other than radar*, there is an unequal enforcement of the maximum speed laws in Pennsylvania;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Marietta hereby petitions the Representatives and Senators duly elected from our district to the Pennsylvania State Congress to support the Coalition to Eliminate the Prohibition Against Municipal Police Using Radar, comprised of members from the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association, the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs, the Pennsylvania Municipal League, the Pennsylvania Association of Township Supervisors and the Pennsylvania State Mayor's Association, in making the change in once sentence in Section 3368 (c),(2) of the Motor Vehicle Code. That sentence currently reads:

“[E]lectronic devices such as radio-microwave devices (commonly referred to as electronic speed meters or radar) may be used only by members of the Pennsylvania State Police.”

Now let it be read, *“[E]lectronic devices such as radio-microwave devices (commonly referred to as electronic speed meters or radar) may be used by any police officer.”*

ATTEST

BOROUGH OF MARIETTA

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT

ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF April, 2017.