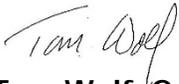


Executive Order

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Governor's Office

Subject:
Public Private Partnership

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2017-06


By Direction of: Tom Wolf, Governor

Date: December 20, 2017

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is fortunate in having an abundance of world-class private sector resources and leaders who desire to better their communities and the commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the commonwealth's economic development goals include developing an innovation-driven economy, ensuring that all Pennsylvania's children can achieve their full potential through access to a first-class education, increasing wealth-generating job opportunities for all citizens, encouraging small business growth, significantly reducing the burdens government places on businesses and citizens, expanding Pennsylvania-based business export opportunities, and harnessing Pennsylvania's energy potential; and

WHEREAS, successful, sustainable economic and workforce development is dependent upon a solid educational system that prepares students to compete in a global economy, to ensure an improved quality of life for Pennsylvania's people, its workforce and communities; and

WHEREAS, in the last three years, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has increased its investment in early learning, development, and education programs, and has made steady progress to assure that more children receive quality early learning and development services; and

WHEREAS, the input, perspective, and support of business leaders is essential to the development of a successful workforce and economic development system; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to foster public and private sector investment to continue economic growth, which can be accomplished by addressing the needs of and challenges faced by all Pennsylvanians, including those with children, to assure the commonwealth's edge in the national and global marketplace; and

WHEREAS, the use of a public private partnership to convene business, workforce, and economic development leaders to provide input, perspective, and resources is essential to achieving our collective goals; and

WHEREAS, the use of a public private partnership to bring business, government, community, and education leaders together is essential to accomplishing these goals; and

WHEREAS, Team Pennsylvania Foundation is a dynamic resource for Pennsylvania, created as a nonprofit corporation incorporated in 1997, under 15 Pa.C.S. Subpart C (relating to Nonprofit Corporation Law of 1988), to assist the commonwealth in increasing job growth, retention and creation within Pennsylvania.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tom Wolf, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and other laws, do hereby recognize, affirm and celebrate the economic development partnership between the commonwealth and the Team Pennsylvania Foundation.

- 1. Purpose.** The purpose of the affirmation of the partnership between the commonwealth and Team Pennsylvania Foundation is to advance innovation, efficiency, and transparency within commonwealth government at state and local levels, stimulate business growth in the commonwealth, ensure excellent, responsive, and accessible education options, identify and leverage alternative private sector resources for public sector priorities, and help create domestic and international business opportunities for the commonwealth's job creators.
- 2. Cooperation of State Agencies.** All agencies under the Governor's jurisdiction shall recognize the Team Pennsylvania Foundation as a unique and trusted partnership with the commonwealth and cooperate with and support it to the extent permissible under applicable laws, policies and regulations in order to assist it in pursuing our common mission of creating and expanding opportunities for businesses and individuals to succeed in the commonwealth.
- 3. Appointments.** To help ensure private sector engagement and participation, the Governor will endeavor to include Team Pennsylvania Foundation leadership on all relevant commissions, boards and appointments to other bodies and positions, as appropriate.
- 4. Applicability.** This Executive Order is intended to promote the attainment of the mission and goals of the Team Pennsylvania Foundation insofar as they enhance the economic betterment of the commonwealth, and is not intended to create any right or benefit, whether substantive or procedural, that is enforceable at law or equity by any party against the commonwealth, its agencies, officers or employees, or against any other person.
- 5. Effective Date.** This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.
- 6. Rescission.** Effective immediately, *Executive Order 2011-03* is hereby rescinded.