



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No: _____

RESOLUTION

R49 - 2025

Introduced by City Council on April 19, 2025

A Resolution calling on the Pennsylvania State Legislature to raise the wage and grant local wage control.

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

WHEREAS, it is has been 15 years since Pennsylvania last raised its minimum wage to \$7.25; and

WHEREAS, every dollar earned by a worker today is worth a full 51% less than it was in 2006; and

WHEREAS, 32 states and Washington, DC, have increased their minimum wage, including every state that borders Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Governor Shapiro has called for the statewide minimum wage to increase to \$15; and

WHEREAS, 1.3 million Pennsylvania workers would benefit from a \$15 per hour minimum wage; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN, calls on the Pennsylvania State Legislature to pass Representative Roni Green's legislation (HB1150) to raise the minimum wage to \$15/hr.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any minimum wage legislation includes an annual cost of living adjustment and grants municipalities local wage freedom by lifting state preemption on wages.