

CITY OF BETHLEHEM

City Council Memorandum

SUBJECT: House Bill 1150 – Minimum Wage Increase

TO: Members of Bethlehem City Council

FROM: Grace Crampsie Smith, Member of Council

DATE: June 11, 2025

I am proposing a Resolution in support of House Bill 1150 to increase the hourly minimum wage in Pennsylvania from \$7.25 to \$15.00.

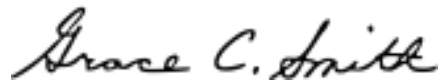
The minimum wage has not been raised since 2009, despite significant increases since that time in housing, food, education, and all areas related to sustainable living! The current bill calls for an increase in the minimum wage to \$15 per hour. House Bill 1150 recently moved from the Labor & Industry Committee to the House for a vote. If it passes the House, it moves to the Senate for a vote. Thus, it is imperative to have as much support as possible for this Bill prior to a Senate vote.

Cities such as Lancaster and Reading have unanimously passed Resolutions supporting House Bill 1150.

Thank you for your attention to this vitally important matter. I hope I can count on your support for this Resolution.

Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Grace Crampsie Smith, Member Council

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