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Erie County Executive Dahlkemper to serve on state redistricting commission

Erie, PA – Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper is honored to join the bipartisan Pennsylvania Redistricting Reform Commission, announced today by Governor Tom Wolf.

Dahlkemper was among 11 members appointed by the governor to the 15-member commission.

The commission is tasked with engaging the public and experts to make recommendations for transparent and fair redistricting – a responsibility that Dahlkemper said she takes very seriously.

“Fair districting is essential to the future of our county, the future of our state and the future of our entire nation,” Dahlkemper said. “I’ve often said that gerrymandering allows politicians to choose their voters, rather than allowing voters to choose the politicians they want to represent them. We should aim for districts that are nonpartisan, contiguous and leave communities whole – and we must use a transparent process for getting there.”

The governor’s action follows the decision by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court earlier this year to overturn the state’s congressional district map and draw a new one, a move that reunited all of Erie County in one district.

“I am honored to serve on this commission, and I am eager to begin the work of building fair districts across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that prioritize people over politics,” Dahlkemper said.

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