

# BERKS HISTORY CENTER

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February 26, 2021

President Craig Koller  
Kutztown Area Historical Society  
PO Box 307  
Kutztown, PA 19530

Re: Kemp Family Burial Ground Resolution

Dear President Koller:

The Board of Trustees of the Berks History Center, in order to express our sincere desire for the preservation of the Kemp Family Burial Ground where it has existed for centuries as the final resting place for honored ancestors and Berks County patriots, has adopted the enclosed resolution at our meeting on February 25, 2021.

Please let us know how we may assist you in raising awareness and support for saving this hallowed family graveyard.

Sincerely with pride in Berks County history:



Floyd N. Turner II  
Board President



Benjamin Neely  
Executive Director

Enclosure

Cc: Brenda Winkler & Kemp Family Descendants

Berks History Center leads the way in telling the story of Berks County and its people, with the aim of building an understanding of our unique history, strengthening our sense of community and inspiring our community's progress in the years to come. Originally incorporated in 1869 as the Historical Society of Berks County, the Berks History Center (BHC) is one of the oldest organizations of its kind in Pennsylvania. For a century and a half the goal of the BHC has remained consistent; to preserve the history and heritage of Berks County and to inform, educate and inspire people regarding that history. To maintain our archives and museum collection and provide tours to visitors, a small, professional staff is aided by dedicated volunteers who give thousands of hours of assistance simply because they're passionate about Berks County's history. In addition to the staff and volunteers, our efforts are aided and supported by a committed membership and generous sponsors.

**The Historical Society of Berks County DBA Berks History Center**

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## KEMP FAMILY BURIAL GROUND RESOLUTION

Board of Trustees resolution adopted Thursday, February 25, 2021:

Whereas, the Berks History Center appreciates the significance of protecting and preserving properties, tangible artifacts and priceless stories of our community's unique cultural history;

Whereas, the Berks History Center understands the inestimable value of historic preservation in creating and maintaining a strong, resilient, and culturally-aware community;

Whereas, the Berks History Center appreciates the contributions of the Kemp family in early Berks County history and empathizes with their hopes and desires, as with all people, to be remembered and missed and their earthly remains be respected and allowed to rest in peace;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of the Berks History Center strongly advocates for the preservation and restoration of the Kemp Family Burial Ground in Maxatawny Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania. It's our sincere wish for Duke Realty, the Kemp family descendants, and the Kutztown Area Historical Society to find a way to preserve this important and unique link to our past.



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