Statement from Commissioner Nick Sherman on approved Local Shares Account Funding

The Board of Commissioners proudly announced today the approval of the Washington County Local Share Account Review Committee's recommendations. This year, the board has approved 67 projects, directing \$10,025,000 to local governments, nonprofit organizations, and other eligible entities across our vibrant county.

I am thrilled to see these funds making a meaningful difference across projects of all sizes in both our towns and rural communities. From vital infrastructure enhancements to the revitalization of downtown areas to new developments, we are committed to driving economic growth and enriching the lives of our residents.

In addition to the Local Share Account investment, an astounding \$68,381,890 in additional funding will amplify our efforts, bringing the total economic impact to a remarkable \$78,406,890 for Washington County. I eagerly anticipate witnessing the transformative projects that will spring to life and be completed thanks to this funding.

The Washington County Local Share Account (LSA) was created to foster community and economic development through gaming revenues generated under the Pennsylvania Racehorse Development and Gaming Act. These LSA funds are designed to empower economic development, job training, community improvement, and public interest projects throughout Washington County.

I want to extend my appreciation to the dedicated members of the LSA Review Committee, who devoted their time to evaluate 119 project applications, amounting to \$37.1 million in requests. Their thoughtful decisions will greatly benefit our county, and their commitment to our community is deeply valued.