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Westmont Borough Councilman Elected 2nd Vice President of State Association

Westmont - Council President Pro Tem Thomas C. Gramling, Sr., of Westmont Borough, Cambria County, was elected by the membership of the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) to serve as the 2nd Vice President. Gramling is a 35-year resident of Westmont Borough, and assumes the officer position effective June 1.

Gramling is a member of the PSAB Board of Directors and its Resolutions and Policy Committee. He received a Certified Borough Officials (CBO) designation, which is a voluntary professional development achievement program, in 2002. He is the PSAB representative on the PA One Call Board of Directors and is the Immediate Past President of the PA Borough Councils Association. Gramling previously served on the Borough Code Revision Committee

As a member of borough council for 18 years, he now serves as chairman of the Personnel Committee, and is a member of the Finance Committee. He is also the chairman of the annual Memorial Day ceremony.

“Tom’s community experience is quite extensive and he will be a valuable part of the PSAB leadership team,” said Chris Cap, PSAB Executive Director.

In his role, Gramling will help to advance PSAB’s legislative priorities. Gramling also said he understands the needs of other bedroom communities across the state that don’t have large industry within their boundaries and face unique challenges to remain financially self-sustaining.

A U.S. Navy veteran with 28 years of active and reserve duty, he retired from GTE as a network engineering supervisor after 41 years of service. He is a member of the Board of Directors for the Cambria County Transit Authority and Government and Postal Federal Credit Union. He is actively involved in his community through the BPO Elks Lodge 175, Franklin Street United Methodist Church, and West Hills Regional Police Commission, among many others. He is also a past president of the United Cerebral Palsy Association of the Southern Alleghenies.

Gramling and his wife, Sandra, celebrated their 50th anniversary in 2011. They are the parents of three children – the Rev. Dr. Tom Jr., married to the former Beth Yoder, Plumsteadville, Bucks County; Army Chaplain Maj. Erik, married to the former Michelle Kagarise, Fort Knox, Kentucky; and Melanie, wife of John R. McBee Sr., Punxsutawney, Jefferson County. They have 12 grandchildren.

Gramling will serve one year each as 2nd and 1st Vice President, then will become President in 2019. Rounding out the PSAB leadership team are Bill Rossey, Borough Manager from Sharpsburg Borough, Allegheny County, who assumes the role of President; Carl Cox, a Council Member from Knoxville Borough, Tioga County, who assumes the role of 1st Vice President; and Chuck Mummert, Mayor of Elizabethtown Borough, Lancaster County, who will become the Past President.

About PSAB

The Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) is a statewide, non-partisan, non-profit organization dedicated to serving 956 borough governments. Since 1911, PSAB has represented the interests of boroughs and helped to shape the laws that laid their foundation. The Association improves and assists local governments through legislative advocacy, research, education, and other services. With more than 2.6 million Pennsylvanians residing in borough communities, our members strive to deliver quality leadership and service to citizens across the Commonwealth. For more information, visit www.boroughs.org.