## IN MEMORY

We dedicate this plan to the memory of Eleanor May Morris, a pioneer in using conservation easements and public/private partnerships to save over 7,000 acres of land in the watersheds of the French and Pickering Creeks. May we all continue her legacy of vision, perseverance, and accomplishment to protect the lands, parks, watersheds and cultural heritage of northern Chester County for future generations.

## Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan for the Federation of Northern Chester County Communities:

## A FRAMEWORK FOR COLLABORATION AMONG WILLING PARTNERS

The Northern Chester County Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan is consistent with Article III, Section 303 "Legal Status of Comprehensive Plan Within the Jurisdiction that Adopted the Plan," of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, Act of 1968, P.L. 805, No. 247 as reenacted and amended.

This Plan serves as a guide. In adopting this plan, the participating municipalities are affirming their intent to continue cooperative efforts toward achievement of the Plan's regional goals. No participating municipality is obligated to undertake any particular plan element or expend funds for implementation.

After adoption, an individual township will only be bound to undertake or participate in any particular Plan element requiring contribution of funds, land or other resources by its adopted municipal resolution that sets forth the terms of the undertaking and the township's participation.

By working in collaboration, each municipality will maintain its autonomy while having the opportunity to participate in the development of a regional park, recreation and open space system that preserves the scenic beauty of our area, conserves our natural resources and provides recreation opportunities for our citizens to engage in active healthy living.