LOWER MAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 434

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REQUIRING ALL BUSINESSES OPERATING WITHIN LOWER MAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP TO SUBMIT A FIRE SAFETY REGISTRATION AND PAYING THE APPROPRIATE FEE ACCORDING TO THE ADOPTED FEE SCHEDULE, REPEALING ALL INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES OR ANY PART THEREOF; PROVIDING ANY SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lower Makefield Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, is empowered to promote and protect the public health, safety and general welfare of its residents, and in furtherance thereof, believes that regulating and governing the safeguarding of life and property from fire and explosion hazards arising from the storage, handling and use of hazardous substances, materials and devices, and from conditions hazardous to life or property in the occupancy of buildings and premises in Lower Makefield Township is in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has determined that all businesses located and operating within the Township shall submit a fire safety registration form, accompanied with the prescribed payment, to the Township to provide relevant information in the event of a fire emergency as being in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Lower Makefield Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it, and it is hereby **ORDAINED** by the Board of Supervisors of Lower Makefield Township, and it is hereby **ENACTED** and **ORDAINED** by authority of same as follows:

- A. Pursuant to the Township's Fire Code, the owners of all businesses operating within Lower Makefield Township shall be required to fully complete and submit a Fire Safety Registration (in such form and substance as prepared by the Township) to the Office of the Fire Service Director, Lower Makefield Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, containing such information as to the occupant, business owner, emergency contact information and property information, as the Office of the Fire Service Director shall deem necessary or appropriate
- B. The Office of the Fire Service Director shall charge a fee for each fire safety registration in an amount as shall be determined by the Board of Supervisors and set forth in the Fee Schedule of Lower Makefield Township, payable on or before December 31 of the year preceding the registration year.
- C. All Fire Safety Registration forms shall be reviewed annually by the Fire Service Director and any and all businesses operating within the Township shall be affirmatively required to provide any revised or updated information to the Township so that the fire safety registration is, at all relevant times, up to date with the most current information.

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D. Violations and Penalties: If any person, firm or corporation shall violate the provisions of this Code, same shall be considered a summary offense punishable by a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) or in lieu of payment of fine by imprisonment not to exceed ninety (90) days. Each day that a violation shall continue shall be a separate violation.

The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable. If any provision of this Ordinance is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such determination shall have no effect on the remaining provisions of this Ordinance or on the provisions of the Code of Ordinances of Lower Makefield Township.

This Ordinance shall become effective the day after its legal adoption.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD THIS 1th December 2022.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD

Chairperson

ATTEST:

Kenneth Coluzzi Interim Township Manager