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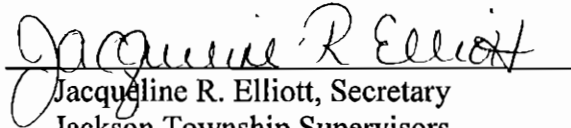
IN RE:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON,
MONROE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ESTABLISHING A
COORDINATED AND UNIFORM SYSTEM FOR 911
(EMERGENCY) STREET AND BUILDING NUMBER SIGN
REGULATIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP
TO PRESCRIBE APPROPRIATE PENALTIES FOR
VIOLATIONS.**

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the attached Ordinance is a true and correct copy of the Ordinance enacted by the Board of Supervisors of Jackson Township, Monroe County, Pennsylvania, on the 11th day of November, 2010.

(TOWNSHIP SEAL)


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**JACKSON TOWNSHIP
MONROE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

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BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of Jackson Township, Monroe County, Pennsylvania, pursuant to the general powers permitted by the Second Class Township Code (53 P.S. § 65101), and the power to regulate the numbering of buildings (53 P.S. §66520) and the naming of streets (53 P.S. § 67329), the following:

SECTION 1. - SHORT TITLE.

This ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the “Jackson Township E-911 Street and Building Number Sign Ordinance.”

SECTION 2. - AUTHORITY.

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to the provisions of the Pennsylvania Second Class Township Code, Act of May 1, 1933 (P.L. 103, No. 69), as reenacted and amended November 9, 1995 (P.L. 350, No. 60), as amended.

SECTION 3. – DEFINITIONS.

Addressable Building – All habitable residential structures and all non-residential structures containing single or multiple retainer, commercial or other units, whether vacant or occupied part- or full-time.

SECTION 4. - PURPOSE AND INTENT.

The purpose of this ordinance is to enhance public safety and security, and generally protect the public health, safety and welfare by improving the ability of emergency response personnel to navigate and locate dwellings and other structures in the Township, and to enhance the convenience of the general public.

This ordinance,

- A. Provides the authority to the Township Board of Supervisors to assign street names to all public and private streets in the Township to eliminate duplicates and prevent confusion;
- B. Requires conformance to the street addressing system established by Monroe County for 911 emergency call system;
- C. Establishes a uniform system for street names and building number signs.

SECTION 5. - STREET NAMES.

- A. Street names required. All public and private streets, driveways and access streets in the Township, which serve two (2) or more addressable buildings, shall be named and posted with a street name sign in accordance with this ordinance.
- B. Street name assignment. The Board of Supervisors shall have the sole authority to assign names to all public and private streets, driveways and access streets in the Township and to change such names if deemed necessary to achieve the purposes of this ordinance. In the case of new subdivisions and land developments, the street names shall be included on the plans required by the Township for review.
- C. Street name duplication. No street name sign shall be posted on any public or private street, driveway or access street unless the Township has approved such name in order to avoid duplication of names.

SECTION 6. - STREET ADDRESSES.

All street addresses in the Township shall conform to the street addressing system established by Monroe County for the 911 emergency call system, and all occupied structures or addressable buildings shall have a building number sign conforming to the requirements of this ordinance.

SECTION 7. - STREET NAME AND BUILDING NUMBER SIGNS.

All street name sign standards in this ordinance are intended to conform to the recommendations of the National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices published in March 2001 and exceed PennDOT requirements currently in effect, including the use of the term "street name sign."

- A. Responsibility for street sign installation. The Township shall order and install all street name signs for initial compliance with this ordinance. For private streets, the property owners having legal access to such streets shall be jointly responsible to order and install, within thirty (30) days, a replacement street name sign if it becomes lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed.

1. Private street name signs shall include white lettering on a red background.
2. Public street names signs shall include white lettering on a green background.

B. Responsibility for building number signs installation:

1. All addressable buildings in the Township shall have a building number sign containing the address assigned by Monroe County for the 911 emergency call system.
2. Building numbers shall be depicted in Arabic numerals in three (3) inch tall reflective white lettering on a green background.
3. All building number sign blades shall be a minimum of six (6) inches by no more than eighteen (18) inches in size.
4. The property owner shall be responsible for the removal of all obstructions (including snow) to permit the sign to be visible from the roadway for a distance of not less than fifty (50) feet from the sign in both directions.
5. Building number signs may be mounted:
 - a. On a stand-alone post or pole;
 - b. Atop a mailbox, only if the mailbox is located on the same side of the street as the driveway entrance;
 - c. Mounted on top of any other type of mounting device;
 - d. Horizontally or vertically;
 - e. Contain the building number and no other information;
 - f. Be located between four (4) and six (6) feet above the ground elevation where the sign is mounted.
 - g. Must be clearly visible from the street in accordance with county recommendation.
6. The property owner shall install a building number sign in compliance with the requirements of this ordinance. Additionally, the property owner shall be

responsible to install a replacement building number sign within thirty (30) days if it becomes lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed.

SECTION 8. - ENFORCEMENT.

- A. Enforcement. This ordinance shall be enforced by the Zoning Officer and such other officials as may be designated by the Board of Supervisors.
- B. Building number signs and Certificate of Zoning Compliance. No zoning permit or other Township permit shall be issued for any existing or proposed structure until a building number sign has been installed on the property in accordance with this ordinance.

SECTION 9 - IMPLEMENTATION.

- A. All street name signs placed, replaced, modified or maintained after the effective date of this ordinance shall conform to the requirements of this ordinance.
- B. All building number signs shall be installed in compliance with this ordinance within **sixty (60) days** after the effective date of this ordinance, and all nonconforming building number signs shall be brought into compliance within **sixty (60) days** of official notice that the number has been assigned by Monroe County.

SECTION 10. - VIOLATIONS, PENALTIES AND REMEDIES.

- A. Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this ordinance shall, upon being found liable therefor in a civil enforcement proceeding commenced by the Township before a Magisterial District Judge, pay a fine of not more than \$600, plus all court costs, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred by the Township in the enforcement of this ordinance. No judgment shall be imposed until the date of the determination of the violation by the District Judge. If the defendant neither pays nor timely appeals the judgment, the Township may enforce the judgment pursuant to the applicable Rules of Civil Procedure. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate offense. Further, the appropriate officers or agents of the Township are hereby authorized to seek equitable relief, including injunction, to enforce compliance herewith.

SECTION 11. - SEVERABILITY.

The provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any sentence, clause or section is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this ordinance. It is hereby declared as the legislative

intent that this ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid provisions had not been included herein.

SECTION 12. – REPEALER.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby repealed but only to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 13. – EFFECTIVE DATE.

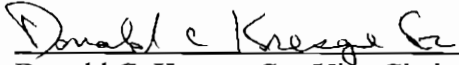
This ordinance shall take effect five (5) days after the date of its enactment.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED into an Ordinance at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Jackson Township, Monroe County, Pennsylvania, this 11th day of November, 2010.

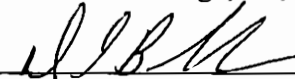
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
JACKSON TOWNSHIP**



Jack Rader, Jr., Chairman



Donald C. Kresge, Sr., Vice Chairman



David B. Thomas, Supervisor

ATTEST:



Secretary

(TOWNSHIP SEAL)