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**ORDINANCE AMENDING, IN PART, CHAPTER THREE
OF DEPTFORD TOWNSHIP'S CODE AND PROVIDING ADDITIONAL
PROVISIONS AND SUPPLEMENTS THEREIN**

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Township Council of the Township of Deptford, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, that the posting of political signs may obstruct the line of sight and adversely affect the flow and safety of vehicles when placed within the public right of way, and

WHEREAS, it is the intent and purpose of this Ordinance to regulate temporary election signs by identifying the compatibility between the utilization of political signs and the protection of the right to privacy of individuals and the quiet and undisturbed enjoyment of property.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED THAT Chapter Three of the Deptford Township Code is supplemented to include, as Section 3.9 Temporary Election Sign, as follows:

3.9.1 TEMPORARY ELECTION SIGNS - notwithstanding any other provision under this chapter, all temporary election signs shall conform to the following requirements:

1. No election sign shall be placed on private property, vacant or otherwise, without the express permission of the owner of such property;
2. No election signs shall be erected more than thirty (30) days prior to the date of election;
3. All election signs shall be removed within seven (7) days after such election;
4. No sign shall exceed sixteen (16) square feet in area;
5. No more than one (1) election sign per candidate or referenda, the collective and total area of which shall not exceed sixteen (16) square feet shall be permitted per street frontage on any one property;
6. No political sign shall be posted on any public property or in the public right-of-way;

7. No political sign shall be placed or affixed to a tree, fence, post, utility pole or structure, by any means whatsoever;
8. All election signs shall be set back at least fifteen (15) horizontal feet from all street lines;
9. All such election signs shall not require a construction permit;
10. No sign shall be located to obstruct or impair traffic visibility or be located in areas of sight triangle at intersections.

3.9.2 VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES - Any person found guilty of violating any provisions of this section shall be fined not less than one hundred (\$100.00 dollars), and upon conviction the penalty shall be stated in Chapter One Section 1-5, General Penalty.

This Ordinance shall be effective upon final adoption, publication and as otherwise provided by law.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the terms and provisions hereof be and are hereby repealed.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances not inconsistent with the terms and provisions of this Ordinance be and are hereby saved from repeal.

TOWNSHIP OF DEPTFORD

PAUL MEDANY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DINA L. ZAWADSKI, TOWNSHIP CLERK

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting of the Township of Deptford held on the 6th day of August, 2007, and will be considered for final passage and adoption at a meeting at which time any person interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard, said meeting held on the 10th day of September, 2007 at the Municipal Building, 1011 Cooper Street, Deptford, NJ 08096 at 7:00 p.m.

DINA L. ZAWADSKI, TOWNSHIP CLERK