#### FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP

## ORDINANCE #425-24

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2021 INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, AS AMENDED AS PUBLISHED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL.

**NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ENACTED AND ORDAINED** by the Franconia Township Board of Supervisors that the Franconia Township Code shall be amended as follows:

# SECTION 1. Adoption of the 2021 International Property Maintenance Code

The International Property Maintenance Code, 2021 Edition, as amended from time to time, as published by the International Code Council, is hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference as the Property Maintenance Code of this Township, with the following revisions:

- A. The phrase "Franconia Township" is hereby added to § 101.1 thereof.
- B. The phrase "Code Enforcement" is hereby added to § 103.1 thereof.
- C. Section 109.4 thereof is amended to read as follows:

"Penalties. Any person who shall violate a provision of this code, or fail to comply therewith, or with any of the requirements thereof, shall, upon being liable therefor in a civil enforcement proceeding commenced by the township, pay a fine not exceeding \$1,000 plus all court costs, including reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the township. Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served shall be deemed a separate offense. If the defendant neither pays nor timely appeals the judgment, the township may enforce the judgment pursuant to the applicable Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure.

- D. There is hereby inserted into the first sentence of § 302.4 the phrase "12 inches."
- E. The period specified in § 304.14 shall be from April 1 to November 1.

F. The period specified in §§ 602.3 and 602.4 shall be October 1 to May 1.

## SECTION 3. Repeal and Ratification.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith or in conflict with any of the specific terms enacted hereby, to the extent of said inconsistencies or conflicts, are hereby specifically repealed. Any other terms and provisions of the ordinances of the Township that are unaffected by this Ordinance are hereby reaffirmed and ratified.

## SECTION 4. Severability.

Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase in this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect, and for this reason the provisions of this Ordinance shall be severable.

## SECTION 5. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment.

**DULY ENACTED AND ORDAINED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024, by the Board of Supervisors of Franconia Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.

FRANCONIA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Grey R. Godshall, Chairman

(Township Seal)

Jon Hammer, Secretary