## FILE OF COUNCIL No. 12{2023}

## MAYOR MICHAEL A. LOMBARDO, IN PLACE

December 20, 2023

## A N O R D I N A N C E OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PITTSTON, LUZERNE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, PROVIDING A HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FOR CITY PROPERTY TAXES ON OWNER-OCCUPIED RESIDENCES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024.

**WHEREAS,** Pittston City Code, Chapter 436, Taxation, Article VII Homestead Tax Exemption provides city property tax relief for owner-occupied homes ("homesteads") as provided for by state law, and this exemption being included in the Fiscal Year 2024 City budget, the City Council of the City of Pittston seeks to re-enact this homestead exemption for fiscal year 2024:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Council of the City of Pittston and it is hereby ordained by the Authority of the same:

**SECTION 1.** Continuation. Pittston City Code Chapter 436, Article VII, Section 436-42(A) is hereby amended as follows:

"The City of Pittston will provide a Homestead Property Tax Exemption as provided in this article for Fiscal Year 2024 beginning January 1, 2024. The Homestead Property Exemption amount for the fiscal year, beginning January 1, 2024, will be Sixteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars Zero Cents (\$16,500.00)."

**<u>SECTION 2.</u>** Repealer. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> Severability. If any provision of this ordinance shall be deemed invalid by a court of law, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 4.** Effective Date and Codification. This ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 2024. The City Administrator shall transmit a copy of this Ordinance to the city codification contractor for inclusion in the codification update

ORDAINED, ADOPTED AND ENACTED THIS 20 DAY OF DECEMBER 2023.

**ATTEST:** 

**APPROVED:** 

ER. **MAYOR**