FILE OF COUNCIL No. 13 {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, SETTING THE CITY REAL ESTATE (PROPERTY) TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 AT 6.85 MILLS, UNCHANGED FROM FISCAL YEAR 2023.

WHEREAS, Pittston City Code Chapter 436, Article X, §436-62(A) and corresponding laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania provides for the annual levy of taxes on the assessment of real estate and the Fiscal Year 2024 City Budget includes revenue derived from such source;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PITTSTON THAT:

SECTION 1. ENACTMENT OF REAL ESTATE TAX LEVY

For the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024 a tax is hereby levied on all real, and mixed property, within the limits of the City of Pittston, taxable according to the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the purpose as follows:

"To provide for revenue purposes and for payment of necessary bills to support the City and to make necessary improvements, there is hereby levied <u>6.85</u> Mills on the Dollar of Valuation." This levy to be reflected in Pittston City Code §Section 436-62(B).

SECTION 2. TAX DEPOSIT - SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

The aforesaid Real Estate tax levy for Fiscal Year 2024 is to be deposited into the following accounts:

General Purposes

6.85 mills

SECTION 3. DISCOUNTS

Pursuant to Section 10 of the "Local Tax Collection Law" a taxpayer subject to the payment of a tax levied by this ordinance shall be entitled to a discount of two percent {2%} from the amount of such tax upon making payment of the whole amount of such tax within two {2} months after the date of the tax notice.

SECTION 4. PENALTIES

A taxpayer subject to the payment of a tax levied by this ordinance, who shall fail to make payment of such tax for four {4} months after the date of tax notice, shall be charged a penalty of ten percent {10%} {which penalty shall be added to the tax by the Tax Collector and shall be collected by the Tax Collector.}

SECTION 5. REPEALER

All Ordinances and Resolutions in conflict with any provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Ordinance is deemed invalid by a court of law, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect January 1, 2024.

Ordained, Enacted and Adopted this 20 day of December 2023.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

CITY ADMINISTRATOR