## TOWNSHIP OF UPPER NAZARETH NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 194

## AN ORDINANCE

OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER NAZARETH, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF COMPENSATION FOR NEWLY-ELECTED SUPERVISORS CONSISTENT WITH THE RESULTS OF THE 2020 CENSUS.

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 27 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania provides that no law shall increase or diminish the salary or emoluments of a public officer after his or her election or appointment; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature, through the Second Class Township Code, has established guidelines relating to the compensation of township supervisors; and

WHEREAS, Section 606(a) of the Second Class Township Code provides that supervisors of townships having a population of 5,000 to 9,999 may be compensated in an amount not to exceed \$2,500 per year; and

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 27 and Section 606(a) have been interpreted to authorize township supervisors to vote to increase their compensation but not receive such increase during their current term of office; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors finds that the population of Upper Nazareth Township grew to 8,127 according to the 2020 U.S. Census; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors desires to increase the rate of the Supervisors' annual compensation from \$1,875 to \$2,500 consistent with Article III, Section 27 and Section 606(a).

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby enacted and ordained as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Each newly-elected or appointed Supervisor of Upper Nazareth Township whose term of office commences after the effective date of this Ordinance shall receive compensation as a Supervisor in the annual amount of \$2,500.

**SECTION 2.** Such compensation shall be paid monthly in pro rata installments.

**SECTION 3.** Any Resolution, Ordinance or part of any Resolution or Ordinance inconsistent herewith or any amendments thereof are expressly repealed.

**SECTION 4.** This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment by the Board of Supervisors of Upper Nazareth Township.

DULY ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 3rd day of April , 2024, by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Upper Nazareth, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.

UPPER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP

ATTEST:

Secretary