WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP

CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 9 - 2024

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST GOSHEN, CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP CODE, CHAPTER 74, TITLED, "TAXATION", SPECIFICALLY TO AMEND SECTION 74-58, TITLED "CERTIFICATION OF QUALIFYING VOLUNTEERS" TO AMEND THE DATES OF CERTIFICATION OF QUALIFYING VOLUNTEERS.

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of West Goshen Township that Chapter 74 of the West Goshen Township Code, titled, "Taxation" shall be amended as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 74-58, titled, "Certification of Qualifying Volunteers," shall be amended to read as follows:

"§ 74-58. Certification of Qualifying Volunteers. Volunteers shall sign and submit an application for a Qualifying Volunteer to the Chief of the volunteer's respective Department. If so directed by the Township Manager, Volunteers shall complete such application in a form published, and re-published from time to time, by the Township. The Chief shall review all applications submitted, sign each approved application, and indicate on each application if they recommend the volunteer to be certified as a Qualifying Volunteer or not. On or before October 15 of each year the Chief shall forward a notarized list certifying all Qualified Volunteers, with all supporting documentation, to the Board of Supervisors via the Township Manager. The Board of Supervisors shall review the applications and supporting documentation and shall, by a motion of the Board, certify all Qualifying Volunteers, on or before November 15 of each year. Only those volunteers certified by the Board of Supervisors shall receive the earned income tax credit and/or real estate tax credit, and this credit may be utilized for any earned income/real estate taxes paid or payable to the Township during or for the previous calendar year only.

SECTION 2. Severability. If any sentence, clause, section, or part of this Ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections, or parts hereof. It is hereby declared as the intent of the Board of Supervisors of West Goshen Township that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid sentence, clause, section or part thereof not been included herein.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> <u>Repealer.</u> All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances conflicting with any provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as the same affects this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective as of January 1, 2025.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 16 day of July , 2024.

ATTEST:
Christopher Bashore, Secretary

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP

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