AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7, SECTION 4.1 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE (ON-STREET REGULATIONS-SCHOOL ZONES)

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF

WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY that Chapter 7, Section 4.1 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange be and are hereby amended as follows:

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to modify the fines set forth in Chapter 7, Section 4.1 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange (the "Township Code") to be amendable by Resolution such that it is amendable in the future by approval of the Township Council, a necessity in an everchanging socioeconomic climate.

II. CHAPTER 7, SECTION 4.1 SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED TO INCORPORATE THE FOLLOWING:

§7-4.1 BE AND HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

- The portion entitled "School Zones" which specifies the penalty to a persons convicted of a violation of Chapter 7 of the Township Municipal Code within a school zone shall be repealed and replaced by the following language:
 - **a.** Unless another penalty is expressly provided by New Jersey Statute, every person convicted of a violation of this chapter or any supplement thereto, within a School Zone as established by § **7-33**, shall be <u>prescribed by Resolution at the approval of the Township Council subject to the following penalties:</u>
 - 1. First Offense. A fine of \$75.
 - 2. Second Offense. A fine of \$100.
 - 3. Third Offense. A fine of \$125 for each conviction and a period of community service for each conviction which shall be left to the discretion of the Municipal Court.
 - **b.** Mandatory Court Appearance Required. Any person issued a summons charging a violation of this chapter within a School zone, except as expressly provided by New Jersey Statute, shall personally appear in Municipal Court to plead or otherwise respond thereto and may not waive the appearance by use of the mails or otherwise.

III. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

Any Ordinances of the Township which are in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

IV. <u>SEVERABILITY</u>

If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be severed and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

V. <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

SUSAN MCCARTNEY, MAYOR

TAMMY WILLIAMS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

KAREN J. CARNEVALE, R.M.C. , MUNICIPAL CLERK

INTRODUCED: June 13, 2023

ADOPTED: July 11, 2023

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Legislative History

The purpose of this ordinance is to modify the fines set forth in Chapter 7 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange to be subject to adjustment by Resolution.