GREENE TOWNSHIP Pike County, Pennsylvania

Ordinance No. + 24

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE PARKING OF VEHICLES ON THE STREETS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENE DURING PERIODS OF SNOWFALL or in times of Emergency.

WHEREAS, snowstorms can and do impair the flow of vehicular traffic, fire equipment and other emergency equipment which may result in conditions adverse to the welfare and safety of the residents of the Township and to people lawfully upon Township or Public Highways; and

WHEREAS, in time of fire, flood, storm or other emergency, it may be necessary to establish temporary parking regulations and/or traffic regulations to facilitate the operation of emergency or other public works type vehicles; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary in order to insure the welfare and safety of the public that the Township Roads, Public Highways and Streets be cleared of snow as promptly as possible; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary in order to insure the welfare and safety of the public that the Township Roads, Public Highways and Streets be kept clear and open to facilitate the operation of emergency and public works type vehicles during time of emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors does hereby enact and ordain:

SECTION I: No vehicles of any make or description shall be parked upon any Township Road, Public Highway or Street commencing from one (1) hour after the start of a snowfall to the end of each snowfall and until the snow has been completely plowed for the full width of the roadway.

SECTION II: In the case of a fire, flood, storm or other emergency, any Member of the Board of Supervisors, Fire Chief, Civil Defense Representative, a Member of the Pennsylvania State Police, Township Roadmaster, or other person in charge of emergency operations may establish temporary traffic and/or parking regulations on any or all Township Roads, Highways or Streets as the

emergency may require to be effective until the emergency operations cease. Temporary regulations shall include but not be limited to closing off a Township Road, Highway or Street, re-routing traffic, establishing no parking areas and whatever else may be necessary to facilitate emergency operations.

SECTION III: Any Member of the Board of Supervisors, Fire Chief, Pennsylvania State Policeman, Civil Defense Representative, a person in charge of emergency operations, Roadmaster, Township employee or any other person or persons as the Supervisors may designate by resolution duly adopted, shall be and is hereby empowered to enforce the provisions of Section I and Section II.

SECTION IV: Whenever or wherever there is a violation of any Section of the Ordinance, a person authorized to enforce these provisions may order the removal of a vehicle, whether parked, abandoned or otherwise, from the Township Roads, Public Highways or Streets and direct that it be taken to a designated storage area.

The Township Supervisors shall, by Resolution, designate Official Township Towers and Official Township Storage areas! for the storage of vehicles impounded pursuant to this Ordinance. The rate to be charged for towing vehicles in violation of this Ordinance shall be reasonable and must be approved by the Township Supervisors.

SECTION V: It shall be the duty of each "Official Township Tower" upon impounding and storing the vehicle to:

- Immediately notify the Pennsylvania State Police that they have impounded a vehicle pursuant to this Ordinance;
- (2) Ascertain the name and address of the vehicle's owner; and
- (3) Notify the appropriate Township Official of the location of the vehicle and its owner.

SECTION VI: Any and all towing and/or storage charges shall be paid by the impounded vehicle's owner prior to release of the vehicle by the tower.

SECTION VII: Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall, upon summary conviction before the appropriate Magistrate, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) nor more than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) plus costs of Prosecution.

In default of payment of the fine, the violator shall undergo imprisonment not exceeding five (5) days. All fines collected pursuant to this Ordinance shall be paid to the Township General Fund.

SECTION VIII: Any person empowered to enforce this Ordinance may initiate summary charges against any person violating these provisions.

SECTION IX: The provisions of this Ordinance shall be severable, and, if any of its provisions shall be held unconstitutional or illegal, such decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION X: This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after . adoption.

Adopted this 3 - day of Extracty, 1976.

ATTEST:

GREENE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Township Secretary