BOROUGH OF JERMYN

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING THE BOROUGH OF JERMYN PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE TO PROTECT THE HEALTH SAFETY AND GENERAL WELFARE OF THE CITIZENS OF JERMYN, PENNSYLVANIA, AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC

By the powers granted to the Borough of Jermyn by the Pennsylvania Borough Code, 8 Pa.C.S.A. § 101 et seq., be it ENACTED and ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Jermyn, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania as follows:

SECTION 1: PURPOSE

The Borough of Jermyn, by the powers granted through the Pennsylvania Borough Code, specifically 8 Pa.C.S.A. § 32A04, hereby enact the Borough of Jermyn Property Maintenance Code (the "Code"), notwithstanding the primacy of the Uniform Construction Code, to be applied to protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of Jermyn, Pennsylvania and the general public. The Code, and all parts thereof, is hereby incorporated into this Ordinance by reference.

SECTION 2: CONTENTS OF THE CODE

The Code contains provisions regarding Borough property owners required maintenance of exterior property areas, vegetation, snow and ice, storage of "junk" on owners' properties, public nuisances, and vacating, removal, repair or demolition of dangerous buildings and structures. The Code also includes provisions regarding the power and duties of the "Code Official" tasked with administering the Code and the fees owed to the Borough from property owners for inspections and notices of violations. Finally, the Code provides provisions regarding the penalties for violations of the Code and failing to comply with the provisions of the Code.

SECTION 3: AVAILABILITY OF THE CODE TO THE PUBLIC

Copies of the Code shall be available for inspection during regular business hours at the Jermyn Borough Building, 440 Jefferson Avenue, Jermyn, PA 18433. The Code will also be available at the Borough's website, www.jermynpa.com.

SECTION 4: REPEALER

All other ordinances or parts of ordinances which are contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance, including an ordinance adopting the International Property Maintenance Code, are hereby repealed to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance and the Code full force and effect.

SECTION 5: SEVERABILITY

If any section, clause, provision, or portion of this Ordinance or the Code shall be held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision shall not affect any other section, clause, provision, or portion of this Ordinance or the Code so long as it remains legally enforceable without the invalid portion(s). The Borough Council reserves the right to amend this Ordinance and the Code, or any portions thereof, from time to time as it shall deem necessary to further the purposes of this ordinance, the Code, and the effective administration thereof. Any such amendments shall be made in accordance with the requirements of the Pennsylvania Borough Code, 8 Pa.C.S.A. § 101 et seq.

SECTION 5: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective upon enactment.

enacted and ordained this <u>4</u>	DAY OF, 2017.
ATTEST: (SEAL) CARA FRANKOSKY Borough Secretary	BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF JERMYN BY: FRANK KULICK President
APPROVED THIS $\underline{\mathcal{Y}}$ DAY OF $\underline{\hspace{1cm}}$	
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