HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP LEBANON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 164

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE DEPOSITING OF GRASS, YARD WASTE, SNOW, AND DEBRIS IN THE ROADS, STREETS, AND ALLEYS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF HEIDELBERG AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of this Township has determined that depositing grass, yard waste, snow, and debris in the roads, streets, and alleys within the Township can cause those roads, streets, and alleys to become slick and dangerous to travelers and can create a threat to their lives and health; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of this Township has determined that depositing grass, yard waste, snow, and debris in the roads, streets, and alleys within the Township may result in the collection of that grass, yard waste, snow, and debris at and in storm drains thereby impeding the efficient flow of stormwater and may also result in the depositing of grass, yard waste, and debris in streams flowing in and through the Township thereby causing damage to the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of this Township has determined that depositing snow on public roadways creates hazards such as slippery areas, drainage problems, drifting, sight obstruction, hindered accessibility, and frozen ruts or bumps that can contribute to a motor vehicle or pedestrian crash; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of this Township has determined that it is necessary for the protection, benefit, and preservation of the health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of this Township to enact an ordinance prohibiting the depositing of grass, yard waste, snow, and debris in the roads, streets, and alleys within the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of Heidelberg Township, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same as follows:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, partnership, corporation or any other legal entity, to dump or deposit, or cause to be dumped or deposited, any grass, yard waste, or debris in the roadway or gutter of any public road, street, or alley within Heidelberg Township. Each day's violation of this section shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any real property owner to allow or permit any grass, yard waste, or debris to be dumped or deposited in the roadway or gutter of any public road,

street, or alley within Heidelberg Township. Each day's violation of this section shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 3. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, partnership, corporation or any other legal entity to throw, push, shovel, plow, or otherwise deposit snow upon the cartway or traveled portion of any public highway, road, or street which is maintained by this Township or by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Each day's violation of this section shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 4. Any person, firm, partnership, corporation, or any other legal entity violating this ordinance shall, upon conviction by a magisterial district judge in an enforcement proceeding brought as a summary offense, be subject to a fine not to exceed \$600.00 per violation, and if the fine, or fines, imposed are not timely paid, the magisterial district judge may prescribe imprisonment to the extent allowed by law for the punishment of summary offenses.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its enactment as provided by law.

DULY ENACTED AND ORDAINED on this _____ day of _____, 2020, by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Heidelberg, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP LEBANON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Paul K. Fetter, Chairman

William T. Cromleigh

Bruce Kramer

ATTEST:

Bruce Kramer, Secretary