ORDINANCE NO. 2024-02

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2023-05 (LERTA)

WHEREAS, on August 14, 2023, the Board of Supervisors of Berwick Township enacted Ordinance No. 2023-05 (the "Ordinance") which provided for tax exemption for certain improvements to designated deteriorated properties pursuant to Pennsylvania Acts No. 42 of 1977 and 76 of 1977, defining certain exempt property, providing for an exemption period, and establishing a schedule of percentage exemption for that time period; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors wishes to amend Ordinance No. 2023-05 by providing a Termination provision to the Ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of Berwick Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania, hereby ordains as follows:

Section 1:

(a) The following section shall be added to Ordinance No. 2023-05 and numbered as Section 8:

Section 8. Termination

Unless otherwise repealed by the Board, this Ordinance shall terminate on August 14, 2033. Nothing contained herein shall act to prohibit the Township from enacting a similar ordinance or extending this one. Any property tax exemption granted under the provisions of this ordinance shall continue according to the exemption schedule found in this ordinance even if this ordinance expires or is amended or repealed.

(b) Sections 8, Severability, and 9, Effective Date, of Ordinance No. 2023-05 shall be renumbered as Sections 9 and 10, respectively.

Section 2: Repealer

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the inconsistency.

Section 3: Savings Clause

In all other respects, the previous ordinances of Berwick Township shall remain as previously enacted and ordained.

Section 3: Severability

The provisions of this Ordinance are severable, and if any of its sections, sentences, or clauses shall be held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional, such provisions shall not affect or impair

any of the remaining sections, sentences or clauses. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Supervisors that this Ordinance would not have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional section, sentence or clause had not been included herein.

Section 4: Effective Date

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This Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the provisions of the Second Class Township Code.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Berwick Township on this 30 day of APRIL , 2024.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BERWICK TOWNSHIP

Peter L. Socks, Jr., Chairman