BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COOKE TOWNSHIP CUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-01

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE VANDALISM OR THEFT OF SIGNS OR TRAFFIC DEVICE AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF

WHEREAS, The supervisors of Cooke Township desire and intend to protect the health and safety of its residents, travelers, employees, and first emergency responders, and

WHEREAS, The Second Class Township Code at 53 Pa. Cons. Stat. Ann. §67323 authorizes this ordinance;

IT IS HEREBY ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Cooke, Cumberland County Pennsylvania as follows:

- **Section 1.** A person shall not destroy, remove, injure or deface any sign legally erected upon or near any public street, road or bridge by the board of supervisors, or by any club association or other organized body for the direction, guidance or safety of travelers. A person shall not destroy, remove, injure or deface any temporary traffic-control device legally erected to enhance traffic or worker safety in a construction or maintenance work zone, including, but not limited to, cones, batons, barrels, barricades, signs, sign trucks, arrow boards or other devices specified in a traffic safety plan approved by the township or the Department of Transportation or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- **Section 2.** Any person who violates this ordinance commits a summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than two hundred dollars (\$200) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500) for the first offense and a mandatory fine of five hundred dollars (\$500) for the second or any subsequent offense, with the cost of prosecution and reasonable attorney's fees, together with the value of the destroyed, removed or defaced sign or device. All fines and moneys imposed and collected shall be paid to Cooke Township.
 - **Section 3.** This Ordinance will become effective upon its enactment.

ENACTED and **ORDAINED** this 7th day of March 2017.

ATTEST:

Carol A. Jones, Secretary-Treasurer

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF COOKE TOWNSHIP

Carl W. Jones III, Chairman

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