TYRONE TOWNSHIP
ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-01

AN ORDINANCE OF TYRONE TOWNSHIP, ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REGULATING THE CUTTING AND REMOVAL OF CERTAIN TREES

WHEREAS, Section 2907 of the Second Class Township Code, 53 P.S.. Section 67907, provides that the Board of Supervisors may by ordinance require owners of property to cut and remove trees located on the property if the condition of the trees, through disease or otherwise, unreasonably affects or interferes with the health, safety, or welfare of the public or the right of the public to the unobstructed use of public roads or property; and

WHEREAS, in order to promote the general health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Tyrone Township and to maintain the roads and streets of Tyrone Township for the ease and safety of travelers the Board of Supervisors wish to enact the following ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED, by the Board of Supervisors of Tyrone Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

1. **Removal of Diseased or Dangerous Trees.** The Board of Supervisors shall, upon notice, require owners of property to cut or remove trees located on the owner's property if the condition of the trees, through disease or otherwise, unreasonably affects or interferes with the health, safety or welfare of the public or the right of the public to the unobstructed use of public roads or property.

2. **Notice.** Tyrone Township shall provide property owners with thirty (30) days notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, to remove or cut trees on the owner's property. If within thirty (30) days after the date of notice to cut or remove the trees, the property owner has not complied with the notice, the Board of Supervisors or their representative, may enter the premises and cut or remove the trees. All logs, cordwood, branch wood or other forms of wood derived from the destruction or removal of any trees shall be surrendered to and remain the property of the property owner.

3. **Cost.** The cost of cutting or removal of trees by the Township shall be charged to the property owner. The charge shall be a lien against the real estate of the property owner and shall be collected in the same manner as other municipal liens.

4. **Penalties.** In addition to the cost of tree removal being charged to the property owner, this ordinance may be enforced by action brought before a District Justice in the same manner provided for the enforcement of summary offences under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure. Any person who violates or permits the violation of this chapter shall, upon conviction in a summary proceeding, be punishable by a fine of not more than $1,000.00 or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding 90 days. A separate offense shall arise for each day or portion thereof in which a violation of this Ordinance is found to exist. The Solicitor for Tyrone

Township may assume charge of the prosecution without the consent of the District Attorney as required under Pa. R. Crim. P. No. 83(c).

5. **Civil Remedies.** In addition to other remedies, the Township may institute and maintain appropriate actions by law or in equity to restrain, correct or abate violations of this Ordinance and to recover damages including the costs of cutting and removing of trees as authorized by this Ordinance.

6. **Repealer.** All provisions of previous Ordinances of Tyrone Township which are contrary to this Ordinance are expressly repealed.

7. **Savings Clause.** In all other respects, the Tyrone Township Ordinances shall remain as previously enacted and ordained.

8. **Severability**. The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable, and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or part thereof is, for any reason, held to be invalid or to be unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of any remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or part of this ordinance.

9. **Codification**. This Ordinance shall become a part of the Codified Ordinances of Tyrone Township upon enactment.

10. **Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

ENACTED, ORDAINED, AND APPROVED this 11th day of March, 2026 by the Board of Supervisors of Tyrone Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania.

ATTEST:

Kelley Staub
Secretary

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TYRONE TOWNSHIP

Michael Mosley (for)
Michael Mosley, Chairman

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