TOWNSHIP OF O'HARA ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF O'HARA, A HOME RULE MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP HOME RULE CHARTER

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of O'Hara desires to change its charter regarding the selection of the President and Vice President of Council; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment conforms with The Home Rule Charter and Optional Plans Law: 53 Pa. C.S.A. §§ 2901 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, Council seeks to submit a certified copy of this Ordinance filed with the Department of Elections of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be placed on the November 3, 2009, general election ballot.

NOW THEREFORE, THE TOWNSHIP OF O'HARA HEREBY ORDAINS:

- SECTION 1. The above recitals are incorporated herein by reference.
- SECTION 2. Sections 311(a) and 311(b) of the Charter are hereby amended and restated to read as follows:
 - "(a) President. The presiding officer shall be known as the President of Council. Council shall appoint by a majority of its members a President of Council at the organization meeting provided for in Section 310 beginning with the first organization meeting following the November 2011 election, and at each organization meeting thereafter. The President of Council shall preside at meetings of Council, shall have a voice and vote in its proceedings, and shall be recognized as the head of the Township government for ceremonial purposes, but shall have no day-to-day administrative duties."
 - "(b) Vice President. Council shall appoint by majority vote of its members a Vice President of Council at the organization meeting provided for in Section 310 beginning with the first organization meeting following the November 2011 election, and at each organization meeting thereafter. The Vice President of Council shall act as President in the absence or disability of the President."
- SECTION 3. The Department of Elections of the County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby requested to place the above amendment on the Election Ballot for November 3, 2009.

SECTION 4. In the event that the proposed change is approved by the electorate the amendment will take effect immediately upon certification by the Department of Elections of the County of Allegheny.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED THIS 14th DAY OF July, 2009.

ATTEST

Julie A. Jakubec, CPA Township Manager TOWNSHIP OF O'HARA

Robert John Smith President of Council



PUBLIC HEARING 07/07/2009

FIRST READING Kozera, Sr. – Bruce, III 6 - 1 07/07/2009

SECOND READING
& ADOPTION Bruce, III – Kurfeerst, Ph.D. 5 - 2 07/14/2009

(Mr. Vogel and Vice President Hadley voted no.)

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