

BOROUGH OF PITCAIRN
ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 1008

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF PITCAIRN, COUNTY
OF ALEGHENY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PROHIBITING TEMPORARY SIGNS FROM BEING PLACED
ON PUBLIC PROPERTY**

WHEREAS, Council for the Borough of Pitcairn has deemed that it is in the health, safety and general welfare that temporary signs on public property create a traffic hazard for the public rights of way; and

WHEREAS, to preserve the order and cleanliness and to avoid the appearance of clutter in the Borough; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Council of the BOROUGH OF PITCAIRN as follows:

1. TEMPORARY SIGNS PROHIBITED ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

- A. In the consideration of the public safety concerns heretofore cited in the recital and to preserve the order and cleanliness of the Borough rights of way and public property; and to avoid the appearance of clutter; to protect property values; to avoid litter and growth of weeds around signs; to reduce traffic hazards caused by distraction to motorists and the impairment of sight lines; to ensure that the Borough remains an attractive place to live and work; to reduce administrative burden and to reduce the necessity of expending public funds to remove political candidate signs and to protect the health, safety and welfare, morals, convenience and comfort of the

public, all temporary signs, including political signs and off-site advertising signs are prohibited from being affixed, placed or erected on public property or within the public rights-of-way, or on medial barriers, telephone poles or pillars and trees located within the public rights-of-way, anywhere within the territorial limits of the Borough of Pitcairn.

- B. No person, firm, corporation, association, their employees or agents shall nail, tack, glue, hang or otherwise affix or locate any political signs, poster, banner, bumper sticker within or on public property or within public rights-of-way of the Borough.
- C. The following signs are excluded from this ban: temporary signs of Pitcairn non-profit organizations.

2. REMOVAL

Any person, firm, corporation, association, candidate or its employees or agents who affixed or placed any prohibited temporary signs, posters, banner or bumper stickers on public property or within the public rights-of-way shall remove the same within a period of twenty-four (24) hours of being notified by the Borough of Pitcairn to remove the aforesaid signs, posters, banners, bumper stickers. The Borough reserves the right to remove and may remove any and all such temporary signs, posters, banners or bumper stickers at any time from the public property and the public rights-of-way without notice. The reasonable cost of removal of the same by the Borough may be billed and assessed to the political candidate, person,

firm, corporation, association or candidate's name who is affixed to said temporary sign, poster, banner or bumper sticker.

3. NONPAYMENT FOR REMOVAL

If after three (3) days' notice, said person, firm, corporation, association or candidate does not reimburse the Borough for the expenses of the removal of said temporary signs, posters, banners or bumper stickers, after demand for payment by the Borough, then the Solicitor of the Borough of Pitcairn is hereby authorized to initiate suit in the name of the Borough of Pitcairn to collect said cost in the manner provided by law.

4. PENALTIES

Any person, firm, employee, corporation, association, committee to elect or to re-elect, supporter or political candidate or company who shall violate or shall fail, neglect or refuse to comply with any provision of this Ordinance, shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than Six Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$600.00), plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed thirty (30) days. Provided, however, that each sign and each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense.

5. Any Ordinance or any part of any Ordinance conflicting with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as the same effects this Ordinance.

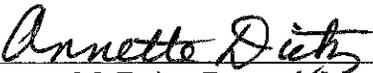
6. If any sentence, clause, section, or part of this Ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality, or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences,

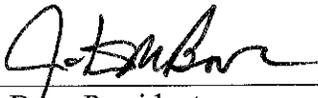
clauses, sections or parts of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared as the intent of the Borough that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid sentence, clause, section or part thereof not been included herein.

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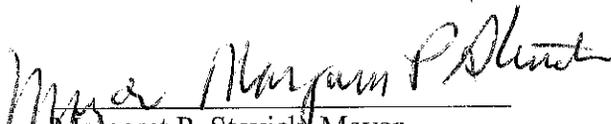
ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF PITCAIRN:


Annette M. Deitz, Borough Manager


John Bova President,
Pitcairn Borough Council

EXAMINED AND APPROVED by me this 11 day of May, 2015


Margaret P. Stevick, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Craig H. Alexander, Esquire
Solicitor