SNOW EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATION TO RESTRICT PARKING ON THE ROADWAY OR RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ANY TOWNSHIP STREET IN BEAVER TOWNSHIP, MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO

The Board of Township Trustees, Beaver Township, Mahoning County, Ohio, met in regular session at the Beaver Township Administration Building on the 14th day of March, 2023, with the following members present: Ronald Kappler, Pamela Simmons, Erik Tabor.

Trustee Kappler moved the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 505.17(A) provides the Board of Township Trustees of Beaver Township, Mahoning County, Ohio with the authority to make regulations and orders as are necessary to control all vehicle parking within Beaver Township; and,

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 505.17(A) provides the Board of Township Trustees with the authority to adopt a general snow-emergency authorization, allowing the Chairman of the Board, or some other person designated herein, to issue an order declaring a snow emergency, and limiting or prohibiting parking on any township street or highway during the snow emergency; and,

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 505.17(A) indicates that any snow emergency authorization shall specify the weather conditions under which a snow emergency may be declared; and,

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 505.17(E) provides that any person who violates a regulation or order adopted in accordance with R.C. 505.17(A) is guilty of a minor misdemeanor; and,

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 505.17(D) provides the Board of Township Trustees, or its designated agent, with the authority to order into storage any vehicle parked in violation of a regulation or order adopted in accordance with R.C. 505.17(A); and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Township Trustees of Beaver Township, Mahoning County, Ohio, has determined that the decision to declare a snow-emergency authorization in the Township is in the interest of public safety and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Township Trustees of Beaver Township, Mahoning County, Ohio hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Board of Trustees to issue an order declaring a snow emergency, and limiting or prohibiting parking on any township street or highway where permanent signs giving notice are properly posted. In the event the Chairman of the Board is unable to issue the necessary order, the Board of Township Trustees hereby authorizes the Vice-Chairman of the Board to issue an order declaring a snow emergency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall remain in full force and effect from March 14, 2023 forward.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a snow emergency may be declared when the accumulation of sleet, hail, ice or snow creates hazardous driving conditions and prior to, during or after such sleet, hail, ice or snow, the parking of motor vehicles could hinder, delay and obstruct the safe flow of traffic and emergency vehicles as well as the proper cleaning and clearing of all streets and roads in the Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that parking shall be prohibited on all streets and roads in the unincorporated area of the Township during a snow emergency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any order issued in accordance with this authorization shall become effective two (2) hours after an announcement is made to the local news media. The Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board shall request the local news media to announce that a snow emergency has been declared, the time the declaration will go into effect, and whether the snow emergency will remain in effect for a specified period of time or indefinitely until canceled by a subsequent announcement to the local news media by the Township; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any person who violates this resolution is guilty of a minor misdemeanor; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the fines levied and collected under this Resolution shall be paid into the Township general revenue fund; and,

BE IT FURTER RESOLVED that the Board of Township Trustees hereby designates Road Department Superintendent to be its agent for the purposes of ordering into storage any vehicle parked in violation of this resolution; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Fiscal Officer is here by directed to publish the following notice:

In accordance with Beaver Township Board of Trustees Resolution # 23-17 adopted on March 14, 2023, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, or his designee, is authorized to issue an order declaring a snow emergency, and limiting or prohibiting parking on any township street or highway. Permanent signs giving notice will be posted throughout the Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Fiscal Officer is here by directed to publish the aforementioned notice once a week for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township as follows:

Week 1: Month, day, year Week 2: Month, day, year Week 3: Month, day, year BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Fiscal Officer is hereby directed to post this Resolution in five conspicuous public places in Beaver Township for a period of thirty (30) days; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including R.C. Section 121.22.

Trustee Simmons seconded the Motion, and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Trustee Kappler	<u>Yes</u>
Trustee Simmons	<u>Yes</u>
Trustee Tabor	Yes

Dated this 14th day of March, 2023.

Richard Lotze, Township Fiscal Officer