

NORTH EAST TOWNSHIP

ORDINANCE NO. 2021 – 001

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TOWNSHIP CODE SECTION 290-44A, INCREASING REAL PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR QUALIFYING VOLUNTEERS FROM 20% TO 100% OF SAID TAX.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of North East Township, Erie County, Pennsylvania, has determined that it is appropriate to amend Ordinance No. 2017-004, now found at Chapter 290, Article VI of the Code of North East Township, by increasing the real property tax credit for qualifying volunteers from 20% of the tax liability owed to Township to 100% of the tax liability; and

WHEREAS, North East Township established a service credit program by Ordinance No. 2017-004 and established certain criteria for qualification pursuant to Resolution No. 2018-018; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act 91 of 2020, municipalities are empowered to grant up to a 100% credit pursuant to the Volunteer Service Program; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors determined that it is just and proper to establish a tax credit equal to 100% of the township tax; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Supervisors to increase the real property tax credit from 20% of said tax to 100% of said tax.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of North East Township, as follows:

1. Section 290-44A of the North East Code is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - A. Tax credit. Each active volunteer who has been certified under the North East Township Volunteer Service Credit Program shall be eligible to receive a real property tax credit of 100% of the Township tax liability on qualified real property. If the tax is paid at penalty, the tax credit shall only apply to the base tax year liability.
 - B. The increased tax credit as set forth in this Ordinance shall be effective for tax year 2021 and all subsequent years, unless amended. Future amendments as to the rate of said tax credits, and the earned income tax credit as set forth in Section 290-43, may be made by appropriate Resolution approved by the Board of Supervisors of North East Township.
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2. All provisions of this ordinance and of the Code shall be in force and effect five days after adoption of this ordinance.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of the North East Township, Erie County, Pennsylvania, this ___ day of _____, 2021.

NORTH EAST TOWNSHIP

BY:

August Neff, Chairman

ATTEST:

Erica Carlstrom, Secretary

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