

**TOWNSHIP OF JEFFERSON
COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE #19-17

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 130, SECTION 54, OF THE JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL CODE
ENTITLED "STREET CLOSINGS"**

TAKE NOTICE that **Ordinance #19-17** was introduced at a Regular meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, held on **October 2, 2019**, and passed its first reading; and that said Ordinance will be considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Council of said Township, to be held on **October 16, 2019 at 7:00 pm** or soon thereafter, in the Municipal Building, 1033 Weldon Road, Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey, 07849, at which time and place all persons who may be interested will be given an opportunity to be heard. Copies of said Ordinance are available at the office of the Township Clerk during regular office hours.

WHEREAS, the Township of Jefferson desires to amend Chapter 130, Section 54 of the Jefferson Township Municipal Code—Street Closings, to allow for the prohibition of certain parking during States of Emergency in order to facilitate the movement of traffic and promote the safety of its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Jefferson, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that Chapter 130, Section 54 of the Jefferson Township Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION I: Chapter 130, Section 54—Street Closings, shall be amended as follows:

- A. The Chief of Police or his/her designee is hereby authorized to temporarily close any street, public thoroughfare, road, highway, land and alley, or parts thereof, whenever in his/her opinion he/she determines that such closing is required to preserve the public safety, health, or welfare.
- B. Upon the declaration of an emergency, there shall be no parking upon streets or sections of streets where temporary "Emergency No Parking" signs are displayed. The Jefferson Township Chief of Police or, in his/her absence, the ranking police officer, is authorized to declare an emergency and to direct the posting of "Emergency No Parking" signs when weather conditions, accidents, road construction, fire, or public celebrations dictate or require avoidance of hazards or other conditions which interfere with the free flow of traffic.
- C. Notification that "Emergency No Parking" signs are being or will be posted shall be given to the operator or owner of any vehicle which has been parked prior to the posting of the signs.
- D. The effectiveness of this subsection is contingent upon the signs being erected as required by law.
- E. Unless another penalty is expressly provided by New Jersey statute, every person convicted of a violation of this subsection shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$50.00 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding fifteen (15) days, or both.

SECTION II

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION III

If any article, chapter, subchapter, paragraphs, phrase or sentence is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, said article, chapter, subchapter, paragraph, phrase or sentence shall be deemed severable.

SECTION IV

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final publication as provided by law.

**MICHELE REILLY, RMC
TOWNSHIP CLERK**