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**LOWER SAUCON TOWNSHIP
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-01

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER
SAUCON**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER SAUCON,
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ESTABLISHING THE
COMPENSATION OF TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEMBERS.**

WHEREAS, Lower Saucon Township is a Township of the Second Class, Optional Plan of Government; and

WHEREAS, Section 606(a) of the Second Class Township Code 53 Pa. C.S.A. § 65606, titled “Compensation of Supervisors” was amended as of December 2024;

WHEREAS, Lower Saucon Township population pursuant to the 2020 census was 11,908; and

WHEREAS, the compensation of council members was previously controlled by Article III, Section 303 of the Administrative Code of the Township of Lower Saucon -- 1976 as amended by Ordinance 90-6 and further amended by Ordinance 95-9; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance serves to amend the Administrative Code of the Township of Lower Saucon – 1976 Article III, Section 303 titled Salary of Council Members as amended by Ordinance 90-6 and further amended by Ordinance No. 95-5; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with 53 Pa. C.S.A. § 65606 as amended, the maximum compensation for a Supervisor/Township Council Member in a municipality with a population ranging from 10,000 to 14,999 is \$5,450.00; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED incorporating the above clauses as set forth at length by the Council of the Township of Lower Saucon, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, that the

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provisions of the Code of the Township of Lower Saucon are hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. Compensation of Supervisors.

The compensation of Supervisors/Township Council Members shall be the maximum established pursuant to Section 53 Pa. C.S.A. §65606 of the Second Class Township Code as well as any subsequent amendments.

The manner of payments to Township Council Members shall be in accordance with past practice and any absence of any direction to the contrary, shall be made monthly.

Changes in salary compensation or emoluments shall be effective at the beginning of the next term of the Supervisor/Township Council Member.

Section 2. Full Force and Effect.

All other ordinance provisions not inconsistent with this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. Severability.

The provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, illegal, or otherwise invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this ordinance. The Council of Lower Saucon Township hereby declares that it would have passed the ordinance, and each section, subsection, clause or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases are declared unconstitutional, illegal, or otherwise invalid.

Section 4. Repealer.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

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Section 5. Effective Date.

The provisions of this ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after adoption but also subject to the time periods set forth in this ordinance.

ENACTED and **ORDAINED** this _____ day of _____, 2025, by the Lower Saucon Council in lawful session duly assembled.

ATTEST:

LOWER SAUCON TOWNSHIP

Cathy Gorman, Acting Township Manager

By _____
Laura Ray, President