

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1 (GENERAL PROVISIONS),  
CREATING A NEW ARTICLE II (ESTABLISHING TOWNSHIP SEAL  
AND PROHIBITED USES) FOR PALMER TOWNSHIP’S CODE OF  
ORDINANCES RECOGNIZING THE SEAL OF PALMER TOWNSHIP,  
PROHIBITING UNAUTHORIZED USES, PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES  
AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

*WHEREAS*, the Board of Supervisors of Palmer Township desires to protect the official seal of Palmer Township from unauthorized and unofficial uses; AND

*WHEREAS*, the unauthorized and unofficial use of the official seal of Palmer Township has a tendency to dilute the significance of the seal and confuse residents; AND

*WHEREAS*, the Board of Supervisors desires to allow the use of the official seal of Palmer Township only for official communications.

*NOW, THEREFORE*, The Board of Supervisors of Township of Palmer hereby enacts and ordains the following ordinance:

**ARTICLE I**            **Chapter 1, Administration and Government**, is hereby amended to include a new Article III entitled “Township Seal Established” which, in its entirety, reads as follows:

**§1-17.            Intent.** With this Ordinance, the Palmer Township Board of Supervisors intends to preserve the integrity of the Seal of Palmer Township and to prevent dilution caused by unauthorized and/or unofficial use of the Seal.

**§1-18.            Seal established; description.** The corporate seal of Palmer Township shall have inscribed thereon in circular form the words “Palmer Township Pennsylvania” and within the circle so formed shall be placed characters emblematic of Palmer Township against an orange-yellow background and the year “1857” inscribed along the bottom of the center circle. The Township Seal is attached hereto and incorporated herein as *Exhibit “A.”*

**§1-19.            Impression of Seal.** The impression of the Seal described herein shall be made upon a page attached to this Ordinance and recorded as a matter of permanent record.

**§1-20.            Unauthorized Use.** Unauthorized use of the Seal or any part

or imitation thereof, shall be prohibited.

**§1-21. Violations and Penalties.** Any person, firm, organization, corporation, committee or other entity who shall violate any provision of this Article shall be guilty of a summary offence. Upon conviction, such person, firm, organization, corporation, committee or other entity shall be subject to a fine of not more than One-Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00.) or imprisonment for not more than (90) days, or both. Each unauthorized reproduction of the Township Seal shall constitute a separate offense.

**ARTICLE II Repealer.**

All ordinance or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

**ARTICLE III Severability.**

If any section, paragraph, sub-section, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof other than that portion specifically declared invalid.

**ARTICLE IV Effective Date.**

This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment.

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**Township Seal Ordinance Signature Page**

*ENACTED AND ORDAINED* this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

**PALMER TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Robert Williams, Manager  
Palmer Township

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Michael Brett, Chair

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Joseph Armato, Vice-Chair

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Jeffrey Young, Board Member

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K. Michael Mitchell, Board Member

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Charles E. Bellis III, Board Member

Exhibit "A"

