A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP of COLLEGE, CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA RESCINDING ORDINANCE #O-20-08 - THE TEMPORARY EMERGENCY ENFORCEMENT OF WEARING OF FACE COVERINGS, MAXIMUM GATHERING SIZE, LINE WAITING AND HOSTING OF EVENTS

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2020, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 7301(c) of the Emergency Management Services Code, 35 Pa. C.S. § 7101, et seq., proclaimed the existence of a disaster emergency throughout the Commonwealth in response to a novel coronavirus (now known as “COVID-19”); and,

WHEREAS, the General Forum of the Centre Region Council of Governments, Centre County, Pennsylvania approved a Disaster Declaration on March 16, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, on September 29, 2020, the Council of the Township of College, Centre County, Pennsylvania, approved Ordinance #0-20-08, enacting temporary emergency enforcement of the wearing of face coverings, maximum gathering size, line waiting and hosting of events; and Resolution #R-20-23 establishing the effective and expiration date of Ordinance #0-20-08; and,

WHEREAS, on January 4 and April 1, 2021 respectively, the Council of the Township of College, Centre County, Pennsylvania modified Ordinance #0-20-08 by Resolutions #R-21-02 and #R-21-16 to amend Section 9 to extend the ordinance expiration date and to align Sections 3 and 4 with the modified orders of the Wolf Administration and the PA Department of Health (DOH) on masking and gathering limitations as issued on March 1, March 15 and March 16, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2021, the Wolf Administration, in coordination with the COVID-19 Vaccine Joint Task Force, announced that COVID-19 mitigation orders, with the exception of masking, will be lifted on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31 at 12:01 AM.

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2021, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) revised its guidance for wearing masks to allow fully vaccinated individuals to resume activities without wearing a mask or physically distancing, except where required by federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules, and regulations, including local business and workplace guidance.

WHEREAS, as of May 20, 2021, the community transmission of the COVID-19 virus within Centre County, Pennsylvania is trending downward, while the percentage of vaccinated individuals continues to increase; and,
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

That on this 20th day of May 2021, the Council of the Township of College, Centre County, Pennsylvania does hereby rescind Ordinance #O-20-08 effective at 12:01 am on Monday, May 31, 2021.

DULY ADOPTED this 20th day of May 2021, by the Council of the Township of College, Centre County, Pennsylvania.

COLLEGE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL:

L. Eric Bernier
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L. Eric Bernier, Chair

ATTEST:

Adam T. Brumbaugh
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