## PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING AND OF INTENTION TO ENACT PROPOSED ORDINANCE

TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Supervisors of Jackson Township will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, October 17, 2024 beginning at 5:30 P.M.**, at the Jackson Township Municipal Building, 2162 Route 715, Reeders, PA 18352. The purpose of the hearing is to consider a proposed ordinance to amend Jackson Township's Zoning Ordinance. The proposed ordinance contains new definitions of certain terms and provides regulations for solar commercial facilities.

At the time of the public hearing, the Supervisors will listen to comments by members of the public concerning the proposed ordinance. If substantial amendments are not offered to the draft of the proposed ordinance, the Supervisors intend to consider enactment of the proposed ordinance immediately after the public hearing.

The proposed ordinance is entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 27 (ZONING) OF THE JACKSON TOWNSHIP CODE OF ORDINANCES TO INCLUDE REGULATIONS FOR SOLAR COMMERCIAL FACILITIES.

The following is a brief summary of all of the provisions of the proposed ordinance, which, if adopted, will become part of Chapter 27 of the Jackson Township Code of Ordinances (i.e., the Jackson Township Zoning Ordinance): **Article 1** contains a short title; legal authority; legislative intent and purpose; and addresses legal conflicts with the proposed ordinance. **Article 2** contains amendments to Chapter 27 of the Township's Code of Ordinances. Those amendments include the removal of "solar power generation, commercial" as a use that is permitted in the Residential (R-1), Village (V), Recreation Commercial (RC), Commercial (C), and Industrial (I) districts, and to allow "solar commercial facilities" in the Commercial and Industrial districts as conditional uses; the amendment of Section 1007 (Alternative Energy Requirements) to add a new subparagraph requiring an affidavit and certification for certain solar/wind energy systems; the amendment of Section 1602 (Definitions) to amend, add, and delete certain terms used in the ordinance; and the deletion of Section 1236 (Solar Power Generation, Commercial) in its entirety and its replacement with new regulations for "Solar Commercial Facilities." **Article 3** provides for the ordinance to be effective 5 days after its enactment.

A copy of the proposed ordinance will be posted on the Township's website and also has been supplied to the *Pocono Record* and to the Monroe County Law Library. Anyone may inspect the proposed ordinance (without charge) or obtain a copy of it (for a charge not exceeding actual copying costs) at the Township's office at the address listed above during regular business hours. If you require any special accommodations to attend or participate in the public hearing, please call (570) 629-0153 at least one day in advance.

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