## WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP DAUPHIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA ORDINANCE NO. 2025-01

Be it ordained by the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, amendments to Chapter 27 of the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to Solar Energy Systems as follows:

## **SECTION 1**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors have adopted this date, the following amendments:

Part 4 Agricultural District, §27-404 Special Exception Uses:

**Delete**: (F) Principal Solar Energy Systems (PSES) in accordance with regulations in §27-1228.

Part 12 §27-1228 Solar Energy Systems (1) Definitions

ACCESSORY SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM (ASES) – An area of land or other area used for a solar collection system used to capture solar energy, convert it to electrical energy or thermal power and supply electrical or thermal power primarily for on-site use. **DELETE FROM DEFINITION:** often referred to as Residential Solar. An accessory solar energy system consists of one (1) or more free-standing ground, or roof mounted solar arrays or modules, or solar related equipment and is intended to primarily reduce on-site consumption of utility power or fuels.

**SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM** - A solar photovoltaic cell, module, or array, or solar hot air or water collector device, which relies upon solar radiation as an energy source for collection, inversion, storage, and distribution of solar energy for electricity generation or transfer of stored heat. **ADD TO DEFINITION:** Solar Energy Systems are not considered a necessary public utility under this ordinance, even though they may have been interpreted to be defined as such under prior ordinances.

## **SECTION 2**

All ordinances and parts of Ordinance inconsistent herewith are repealed.

The Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after its adoption.

## **SECTION 3**

ENACTED AND ORDAINED THIS 1st DAY OF JULY 2025.

Washington Township, Dauphin County BY:

Donna M. Sitlinger, Secretary

Benjamin B. Brown, Chairman

Absent

Glenn L. Stoneroad, Vice Chairman

Cynthia J. Stout, Member

Gerald J. Lettich, Member