

**CENTRE TOWNSHIP, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**ORDINANCE NO 2022-170**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CENTRE, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE OMNIBUS TRAFFIC AND ROAD ORDINANCE ENACTED AS ORDINANCE NUMBER 26A-1993 BY ESTABLISHING AN ADDITIONAL STOP INTERSECTION FACING TRAFFIC APPROACHING GIN MILL ROAD UPON GROVE ROAD, AUTHORIZING A “EXCEPT RIGHT TURN” PLAQUE AND A “TRAFFIC FROM RIGHT DOES NOT STOP” ADVISORY SIGN ON THE STOP SIGN FACING TRAFFIC APPROACHING GIN MILL ROAD UPON GROVE ROAD, AND AUTHORIZING A “CROSS TRAFFIC DOES NOT STOP” ADVISORY SIGN ON THE STOP SIGN FACING TRAFFIC APPROACHING GROVE ROAD UPON GIN MILL ROAD**

**WHEREAS**, Centre Township is a Second Class Township in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

**WHEREAS**, as a Second Class Township, Centre Township is governed by the Second Class Township Code of Pennsylvania; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Second Class Township Code, Article XXIII, the Board of Supervisors may regulate roads and parking; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 6109(a)(6) of the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code, 75 Pa.C.S.A. § 6109(a)(6), authorizes local authorities to exercise their police power to designate any highway as a through highway or designating any intersection or junction of roadways as a stop or yield intersection or junction; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 6109(a)(9) of the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code, 75 Pa.C.S.A. § 6109(a)(9), authorizes local authorities to exercise their police power to regulate or prohibit the turning of vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, action by local authorities designating intersections as through highways or stop or yield intersections per Section 6109(a)(6) and regulating the turning of vehicles per Section 6109(a)(9) of the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code, 75 Pa.C.S.A. §6109(a)(6) and (9), shall be made by ordinance of the local authority; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 6109(e) of the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code, 75 Pa.C.S.A. §6109(e), an engineering or traffic investigation shall be taken prior to a local authority exercising its police powers under Section 6109; and

**WHEREAS**, Gin Mill Road, Township of Centre, Country of Berks, Pennsylvania is a public road; and

**WHEREAS**, Grove Road, Township of Centre, County of Berks, Pennsylvania is a public road; and

**WHEREAS**, Centre Township enacted Ordinance Number 26A-1993 on February 10, 1993, creating an Omnibus Traffic and Road Ordinance by consolidating numerous prior individual Ordinances which regulated traffic and roads in the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the Omnibus Traffic and Road Ordinance of Centre Township, Ordinance No. 26A-1993, Article II entitled “Traffic Regulations”, Section 5 entitled “Stop Intersections Established” provides for the establishment of stop intersections listed in Appendix B thereof and authorizes official stop signs at those intersections; and

**WHEREAS**, by Ordinance Number 26A-1993, the Board of Supervisors of Centre Township established a stop intersection at the intersection of Gin Mill Road and Grove Road, and erected a stop sign facing traffic approaching Grove Road upon Gin Mill Road; and

**WHEREAS**, based on an engineering and stop sign analysis study of the Township Engineer, the Township Board of Supervisors deems it in the best interest of Centre Township to amend Ordinance Number 26A-1993 to establish a stop intersection at the intersection of Grove Road and Gin Mill Road and to erect an official stop sign facing traffic approaching Gin Mill Road upon Grove Road; and

**WHEREAS**, based on an engineering and stop sign analysis study of the Township Engineer, the Township Board of Supervisors deems it in the best interest of Centre Township to erect a “Except Right Turn” plaque and a “Traffic From Right Does Not Stop” advisory sign on the stop sign facing traffic approaching Gin Mill Road upon Grove Road; and

**WHEREAS**, based on an engineering and stop sign analysis study of the Township Engineer, the Township Board of Supervisors deems it in the best interest of Centre Township to erect a “Cross Traffic Does Not Stop” advisory sign on the stop sign facing traffic approaching Grove Road upon Gin Mill Road.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Centre, Berks County, Pennsylvania as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The Centre Township Omnibus Traffic and Road Ordinance, Ordinance Number 26A-1993, Appendix B entitled “Stop Intersections” is hereby amended by adding the following intersection as a stop intersection in the Township of Centre:

<b>STOP STREET</b>	<b>INTERSECTION OR THROUGH STREET</b>	<b>DIRECTION OF TRAVEL</b>
Grove Road	Gin Mill Road	S

**SECTION 2.** The proper Township officials are authorized and directed to erect an official stop sign with a “Except Right Turn” plaque and a “Traffic From Right Does Not Stop” advisory sign at the stop intersection hereby established in such a position as to face traffic approaching Gin Mill Road upon Grove Road.

**SECTION 3.** The proper Township officials are authorized and directed to erect a “Cross Traffic Does Not Stop” advisory sign at the stop sign established by Ordinance Number 26A-1993 facing traffic approaching Grove Road upon Gin Mill Road.

SECTION 4. The Centre Township Omnibus Traffic and Road Ordinance, as amended, shall be and remain unchanged and in full force and effect except as amended, supplemented, and modified by this Ordinance. This Ordinance shall become a part of the Centre Township Omnibus Traffic and Road Ordinance upon adoption

SECTION 5. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable, and if any section, sentence, clause or provision hereof shall be held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision of the court shall not affect or impair the remaining sections, sentences, clauses or provisions of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Board that this Ordinance would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional section, sentence, clause or provision had not been included herein.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment.

**ENACTED AND ORDAINED** as an Ordinance of Centre Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, this 24th day of May, 2022.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF  
CENTRE TOWNSHIP,  
BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

  
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Chairman

  
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Vice Chairman

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Member

ATTEST:

  
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Secretary

CERTIFICATE OF ENACTMENT

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of Ordinance No. 2022 - 170 adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Centre Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania at a public meeting held on 5/24, 2022, pursuant to notice as required by law.

Dated: 5/24/22

  
Township Secretary