

BOROUGH OF CONSHOHOCKEN
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

PROCLAMATION 08 OF 2024

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH OF CONSHOHOCKEN, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY BURN BAN WITHIN THE BOROUGH; REPEALING PRIOR INCONSISTENT PROCLAMATIONS OR PARTS OF PROCLAMATIONS; CONTAINING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Chapter 10A *Mayor* of the Pennsylvania Borough Code sets forth the powers and duties of the office of Mayor, including the power to declare emergencies and act to preserve life, health, property, or the public peace;

WHEREAS, 35 Pa.C.S. § 7501, *et seq.*, sets forth the power of political subdivisions to declare disaster emergencies;

WHEREAS, due to existing local drought conditions, the Mayor of the Borough of Conshohocken, with the advice of the Borough's emergency management staff, has determined that a local disaster emergency exists within the Borough with respect to the risk of fire; and

WHEREAS, given the current local disaster emergency, the Mayor has determined it to be necessary to institute a temporary burn ban within the Borough of Conshohocken as set forth herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Mayor of the Borough of Conshohocken as follows:

Section 1. Temporary Burn Ban.

There is hereby established a temporary Borough-wide burn ban on open fires for a period of 7 days from the date of this Proclamation, unless extended by resolution of the Borough Council of the Borough of Conshohocken or by additional act of the Mayor. The Mayor respectfully requests that the Borough Council of the Borough of Conshohocken ratify the terms of this Proclamation at its next public meeting.

“Open fires” for purposes of this Proclamation are defined as “the ignition and subsequent burning of any combustible material (garbage, leaves, grass, twigs, litter, paper, vegetative matter involved with land clearing, or any sort of debris) outdoors in either a burn barrel (screened or unscreened), fire ring, on the ground, or otherwise unenclosed. The use of propane or gas stoves or charcoal briquet grills is not covered under this definition.

Section 2. Repealer.

Any and all prior inconsistent Proclamations or parts of Proclamations are hereby REPEALED by adoption of this Proclamation.

Section 3. Savings Clause.

If any portion, part or provision of this Proclamation should be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, unconstitutional, illegal or unenforceable, the Mayor of the Borough of Conshohocken hereby declares his intent that this Proclamation shall have been made without regard to such unconstitutional, illegal, invalid or unenforceable portion thereof.

Section 5. Effective Date.

This proclamation shall become effective upon its execution by the Mayor of the Borough of Conshohocken.

Hereby **PROCLAIMED** this 10th day of November, 2024.



Yaniv Aronson, Mayor



Stephanie Cecco, Borough Secretary