# TOWNSHIP OF LIGONIER
# ORDINANCE NO. 2026-OR-06

## AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LIGONIER AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE TOWNSHIP CODE AT PART II, TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER ENTITLED "CHAPTER 48: FALSE ALARMS"

**Whereas,** false fire alarms are a major problem for Ligonier Township's volunteer fire departments, with one station having over a quarter of their callouts be false alarms, and;

**WHEREAS,** the Ligonier Township Board of Supervisors wishes to assist our volunteer fire departments, by making repeated false alarms a punishable offense, and;

**WHEREAS,** there is state legislation regarding this subject, which the Board of Supervisors wishes to implement and supplement

**NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of Ligonier Township hereby enacts as follows:**

**Section 1.** The Code of Ordinances of the Township of Ligonier is hereby amended and supplemented at Part II: General Legislation, by adding a new chapter as follows:

CHAPTER 48

FALSE ALARMS

§ 48-1. False Alarms, penalties enforcement

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has enacted Act 70 of 1998 including, at Section 7511 thereof, provisions dealing with the control of alarm devices and automatic dialing devices and establishing penalties for violations thereof. The Code Enforcement Officer of Ligonier Township shall be the position responsible within Ligonier Township for the enforcement as to violations of said Act. Penalties for violations of Act 70 of 1998, as amended, shall be in accordance with the provisions thereof.

**ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Supervisors of the Township of Ligonier, this 8th day of December, 2026.

TOWNSHIP OF LIGONIER

By _____
Supervisor, Chair

ATTEST: (SEAL)

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Secretary