TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 198

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR THE OF TOWNSHIP WASHINGTON TO IMPOSE A FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF TAX DUPLICATE BILLS FOR ANY TAXES COLLECTED BY SAID TAX COLLECTOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, AND TO RETAIN THE FEE FOR THE COLLECTION OF SAME.

WHEREAS, the Township of Washington recognizes the importance and significance of the issuance of real estate tax duplicate bills which are necessary for the smooth and effective flow of commerce within the Township; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township of Washington to specifically authorize its Tax Collector to charge a fee for issuance of any and all tax duplicate bills.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the Township of Washington, through its Board of Supervisors, as follows:

SECTION 1: Washington Township hereby appoints its locally elected Tax Collector as the municipal officer authorized to provide tax duplicate bills upon request by the public. For purposes of this Ordinance, public shall include and shall not be limited to attorneys, title companies, mortgage companies, resident taxpayers, non-resident taxpayers, and all adult individuals who may, from time to time, request tax duplicate bills.

SECTION 2: Washington Township hereby authorizes the said Tax Collector to assess, collect and retain, as compensation for providing the additional service of issuance of a tax duplicate bill, the fee of Five (\$5.00) Dollars per duplicate.

<u>SECTION 3</u>: The authorization set forth in this Ordinance shall extend to elected Tax Collectors, appointed Tax Collectors, and other individuals lawfully serving on an interim basis as a Tax Collector for the Township of Washington.

SECTION 4: The fee for the providing of a tax duplicate bill to the public by the Tax Collector may be amended from time to time at the discretion of the Washington Township Supervisors, by resolution.

<u>SECTION 5</u>: This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon enactment.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Supervisors of the Township of Washington, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, into an Ordinance this 11th day of March, 1998.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Ignatz-Klausz, Ir., Chairman

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David Hess

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By: Jame A. Mellert, Secretary

Approved and certified this 11th day of March, 1998.

Ignatz Klausz, Jr., Chairman

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