

**AN ORDINANCE**

**NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE To Amend The Code Of The Township Of Lower Merion, Chapter 78, Fire Prevention, To amend, Article VI, Volunteer Service Credit Program, To Revise The Definitions Of Active Volunteer And Emergency Responder, And To Extend The Program To Members Of The Narberth Fire Company Who Reside In The Township Of Lower Merion**

The Board of Commissioners of the Township of Lower Merion does hereby enact and ordain:

**Section 1.** The Code of the Township of Lower Merion, Chapter 78, Fire Prevention, Article VI, Volunteer Service Credit Program, § 78-50, the definitions of Active Volunteer and Emergency Responder, shall be amended to provide as follows:

**Article VI. Volunteer Service Credit Program**

**§ 78-50. Definitions.**

Unless otherwise expressly stated, the following words and phrases shall be construed throughout this chapter to have the meanings indicated in this article:

**Active Volunteer.**

A volunteer for a volunteer fire company or nonprofit emergency medical service agency listed under § 78-51(c) who has complied with, and is certified under, the Volunteer Service Credit Program.

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**Emergency Responder.**

A volunteer who responds to an emergency call with one of the entities listed under § 78-51(c).

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**Section 2.** The Code of the Township of Lower Merion, Chapter 78, Fire Prevention, Article VI, Volunteer Service Credit Program, § 78-51 Volunteer service credit program – description, subsection (c), Eligible Entities, shall be amended to provide as follows:

**Article VI. Volunteer Service Credit Program**

**§78-51. Volunteer service credit program – description**

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- C. **Eligible Entities.** The Volunteer Service Credit Program is available to residents of Lower Merion Township who are volunteers of the volunteer fire companies ~~located in Lower Merion Township and that~~ are part of the Lower Merion Fire Department as set forth in §78-1 hereinabove, or volunteers of Narberth Ambulance, a nonprofit emergency medical service agency serving Lower Merion Township.

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**Section 3.** Nothing in this Ordinance or in Chapter 78 of the Code of the Township of Lower Merion, as hereby amended, shall be construed to affect any suit or proceedings in any Court, any rights acquired or liability incurred, any permit issued, or any cause or causes of action existing under the said Chapter 78 prior to the adoption of this amendment.

**Section 4.** The provisions of this Ordinance are severable, and if any section, sentence, clause, part, or provision thereof shall be held illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision of this court shall not affect or impair the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, parts 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, part, or provision had not been included herein.

**Section 5.** This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval as required by law.

Approved by the Board this       day of       , 2020.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MERION

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Daniel S. Bernheim, President

ATTEST:

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Jody L. Kelley, Secretary