## TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

## **ORDINANCE NO. 229**

AN ORDINANCE OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, PROVIDING FOR AN EMERGENCY EXEMPTION OF ALL WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEES WITH A COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSE (CDL) FROM THE MAXIMUM DRIVING TIMES SPECIFIED UNDER U.S. DOT REGULATIONS.

WHEREAS, U.S. DOT Regulations have been promulgated which affect Township employees holding a Commercial Drivers License (CDL); and

WHEREAS, the Washington Township Board of Supervisors believes it is necessary to update its regulations to ensure proper, logical and accurate notice of regulations, and do comply with the aforementioned U.S. DOT Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Township Board of Supervisors believes that an emergency exemption pertaining to all Washington Township employees with a Commercial Drivers License (CDL) from the maximum driving times specified under U.S. DOT Regulations set forth at 49 C.F.R. 395.3, as provided for by PennDOT pursuant to Title 57, Vehicle Code, Section 231.346 be established.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED, by the Township of Washington, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, by the authority

vested in the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township, via the Second Class Township Code, 53 P.S. §66601, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The following exemption is hereby created:

Emergency Exemption pertaining to all Washington Township employees with a Commercial Drivers License (CDL).

In the event a snow emergency is declared pursuant to §180-30 of the Washington Township vehicle Regulations, and for the duration of any such snow emergency, all employees with a CDL shall be granted the following relief from the maximum driving times specified under U.S. DOT Regulations set forth at 49 C.F.R. 395.3, as provided for by PennDOT pursuant to Title 57, Vehicle Code, Section 231.346. If after any twelve (12) hour period of continuous duty, an employee with a CDL believes that safe operation of the assigned vehicle is no longer possible due to fatigue, such employee shall notify an immediate supervisor. The immediate supervisor shall grant an off-duty period of a minimum of five (5) hours, and shall have the discretion to grant such additional time as is believed necessary, for the rest and revitalization of the employee with a CDL. After such approved period of rest and revitalization, the employee with a CDL shall return to duty and notify an immediate supervisor of his or her return.

**SECTION 2.** All other terms, conditions and provisions of ordinances and regulations pertaining to operation of a vehicle in the Township shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3.** This ordinance shall take effect five (5) days after its adoption.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED, into law by the Township of Washington, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, on this 12th day of NOVEMBER, 2003.

Attest:

Jane Mellert, Secretary

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

David Hess, Chairman

David Renaldo, Vice Chairman

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Approved and certified this 12th day of Torender, 2003.

Attest:

Jane Mellert, Secretary

David Hess, Chairman