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Claridon Township Second Amendment Preservation Ordinance:

Preamble

Public Officials swear an oath to uphold the Ohio Constitution and the United States Constitution therefor, it is the duty of every public official, in particular, the Claridon Township Board of Trustees, to diligently and intentionally protect and uphold the Inalienable Rights so guaranteed in both Constitutions against real, pending and possible threats, regardless of whether these threats come from foreign governments and peoples or from domestic governments and peoples, whether these threats come from the county, state or federal levels, and whether these threats come from any department or agency within any government. This is our fundamental responsibility and duty to the people of Claridon Township.

BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED by the Claridon Township, Geauga County, Ohio Board of Trustees as follows:

RESOLVED: All federal, state and county acts, laws, orders, rules, and regulations passed by the Federal, State or County Government, departments or agencies and specifically any and all Presidential Executive Orders whether past, present, or future, which infringe on the people's right to keep and bear arms as guaranteed by the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article 1 of the Ohio State Constitution shall not be recognized by this Township, and specifically rejected by this Township, and shall be considered null and void and of no effect in this Township.

RESOLVED: That any and all federal, state and county acts, laws, orders, rules, and regulations passed by the Federal, State or County Government, departments or agencies and specifically any and all Presidential Executive Orders whether past, present, or future, which infringe on the people's right to keep and bear arms as guaranteed by the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article 1 of the Ohio State Constitution shall not be recognized by this Township, and specifically rejected by this Township, and shall be considered null and void and of no effect in this Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

(1) Such federal, state and county acts, laws, orders, rules and regulations include but are not limited to:

(a) Any tax levy, fee, or stamp imposed on firearms, firearm accessories, and ammunition not common to all other goods and services which could have a chilling effect on

the purchase or ownership of those items by Claridon Township citizens;

(b) Any registering or tracking of firearms, firearm accessories, or ammunition which could have a chilling effect on the purchase or ownership of those items by law-abiding Claridon Township citizens;

(c) Any registering or tracking of the owners of firearms, firearms accessories, or ammunition which could have a chilling effect on the purchase or ownership of those items by law-abiding Claridon Township citizens;

(d) Any act ordering the confiscation of firearms, firearm accessories, or ammunition from law-abiding Claridon Township citizens;

(e) Any act whether past, present, or future passed by the United States Congress and signed into law by the Federal Government and specifically any President or Presidential Administration which infringes on the people's right to keep and bear arms in Claridon Township, shall be considered null and void in the Township and not recognized by this Township. Current Federal House bills include but are not limited to: H.R. 30, H.R. 38, H.R. 121, H.R. 137, and H.R. 167. These bills, if passed, are null and void, and not recognized by Claridon Township, Geauga County, Ohio, any past, present, or future bill passed by the United States Congress will be null and void, and not recognized by Claridon Township.

(f) Any act whether past, present, or future passed by the State of Ohio congress and signed into law by the State Government and specifically any Gubernatorial Administration which infringes on the people's right to keep and bear arms in Claridon Township, shall be considered null and void in the Township and not recognized by this Township.

(g) Any act whether past, present or future passed by Geauga County and signed into law by the County Government or any Geauga County agency which infringes on the people's right to keep and bear arms in Claridon Township, shall be considered null and void in the Township and not recognized by this Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: In order to protect the Constitutional rights of all Geauga County citizens, Claridon Township declares the Geauga County Board of Commissioners compose a similar Resolution or Ordinance. **THEREFORE,**

BE IT SO ORDAINED THAT: Claridon Township declares that it must be the duty of all courts, all law enforcement agencies, and all military agencies to protect the rights of citizens to keep and bear arms and that no person, including a public officer employee of this county or any political subdivision of this county, can have authority to enforce or attempt to enforce any federal, state or county laws, orders, directives or rules infringing on the right to keep and bear arms;

BE IT SO ORDAINED THAT: Claridon Township declares that any person while acting as an official, agent, employee, or deputy of any government or agency within the United States

who enforces or attempts to enforce any of the infringement identified in this ordinance or gives material aid and support to the efforts of others who enforce or attempt to enforce any of the infringements identified in this ordinance may be permanently ineligible to be hired as a law enforcement officer or to supervise law enforcement officers in the county or exceeds the authority of Geauga County.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT: Claridon Township declares that any and all federal or state agencies trying to enforce the regulations listed in Section (1) should be subject to arrest by the Geauga County Sheriff's Department and the Geauga County Sheriff's Department should be given the full authority by the Geauga County Commission to make an arrest of any and all federal and state agents that violate the 2nd Amendment of the United States Constitution and enforce the regulations listed in Section (1);

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT: This ordinance will be known and cited as the "Claridon Township Second Amendment Preservation ORDINANCE".

IN ACCORDANCE WITH: The Constitutional authority of the Claridon Township Trustees to protect the Inalienable Rights of the Citizens of Claridon Township, this ordinance shall and will immediately go into effect the very next day upon passage of the Claridon Township Board of Trustees.