

**TOWNSHIP OF DOWNE
CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE 2016-5

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DOWNE TO
UPDATE THE MAXIMUM PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF MUNICIPAL
ORDINANCES**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Downe, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey as follows:

WHEREAS, the Township of Downe has historically set various maximum fines and penalties for violations of Municipal Ordinances as they have been adopted over the years and as such were allowable at the time of the respective enactments of the provisions of the various Downe Township Ordinances; and,

WHEREAS, the Downe Township Committee has determined to codify its Ordinances for purposes of promoting organization of the Ordinances and facilitating the understanding of the Ordinances of the Township of Downe; and,

WHEREAS, the current maximum fine allowable under law for a violation of Municipal Ordinance is \$2,000.00 as of the time of the enactment of this Ordinance; and,

WHEREAS, the Downe Township Committee seeks uniformity as to enforcement of violations of Municipal Ordinances; and,

WHEREAS, the Downe Township Committee is desirous of raising the maximum penalty allowable under law for any violation of a Downe Township Ordinance to \$2,000.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Downe, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. The Downe Township Code is hereby updated and amended to delete, repeal and rescind any existing text not consonant with the terms hereof and to amend and replace same with the following:

The maximum penalty for the violation of any Downe Township Code where upon conviction shall be a fine not exceeding \$2,000.00 or imprisonment for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days or both. Nothing herein shall prohibit the Municipal Court or Township enforcement officials from providing an opportunity

to cure or abate violations where appropriate and nothing herein shall mandate that the maximum available fine be assessed.

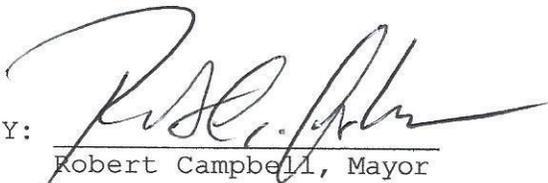
Section One. Repealer. All former Ordinances of the Township of Downe which are in conflict with the provisions contained in this Ordinance are hereby repealed upon the adoption of this Ordinance.

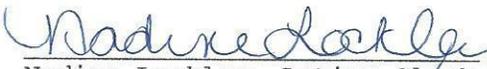
Section Two. Severability. If any part or parts of this Ordinance are held to be invalid for any reason such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section Three. This Ordinance shall take effect after final approval and publication as required by law.

DATE: MAY 2, 2106

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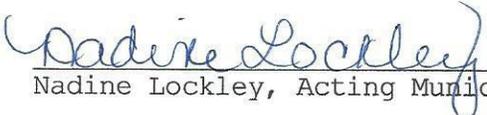
BY: 
Robert Campbell, Mayor


Nadine Lockley, Acting Clerk

STATE OF NEW JERSEY :
: SS
COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND :

Please take notice that the above Ordinance was adopted after a Public Hearing at a meeting of the Downe Township Committee on the 6th day of June, 2016 at the Downe Township Municipal Building in Newport, New Jersey.

ATTEST


Nadine Lockley, Acting Municipal Clerk