WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, 53 Pa. Stat. 10201 (et seq) authorizes Municipalities to adopt regulations to protect the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the use of Portable Storage Containers has proliferated such that it is impacting the health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council desires to establish regulations such controlling the use, size and location of Portable Storage Containers in the residential areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IS ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of ______________, _______________County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by its authority that:

1. Chapter _______ of the __________Borough Codified Ordinances shall be amended by inserting the following new Section _______:

Section _______Portable Storage Containers

Portable storage containers. Portable storage containers may only be used in compliance with this subsection.

(1). Definitions. As used in this subsection, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

PORTABLE STORAGE CONTAINERS, PSC UNIT OR PSCs

Any container, storage unit, shed-like container or other portable structure used for the storage of personal property of any kind and which is located for such purpose on residential property for the purpose of storing and/or moving household materials.

(2). Registration.

(a) Before placing a PSC unit on any residential property, a person shall register the date of the proposed placement and the intended location of the PSC unit with the Borough Secretary.

(3). Duration.

(a) PSC units may remain in place a maximum of 30 days from the date of placement.
(b) In the event the PSC unit is not going to be removed at the expiration of the 30-day period, the property owner shall submit a written extension request to Borough Council. Council, may at its discretion, grant extension requests for good cause shown and demonstrated.

(4). Contents.
(a) PSCS shall be used for storage of household items relating to the premises on which the unit is located only. No storage of any commercial or business-related items is permitted.

(b) Hazardous materials including flammable and biohazard substances shall not be stored in the containers.

(5) Location.
(a) PSC units must be placed on paved off-street surfaces.

(b) PSC units shall not be located in any setback areas, required open space, landscaped area, on any sidewalk or trail, or in any location that blocks or interferes with any vehicular and/or pedestrian circulation, and shall be located in accordance with all applicable building and fire code regulations for the purpose of ensuring safe ingress and egress to dwellings, access to utility shut-off valves, and for fire protection. Such containers shall also be subject to any applicable sight distance provisions.

(6) Number, size and condition.
(a) No more than one PSC unit may be placed on any residential property at one time.

(b) No PSC shall exceed a maximum size of eight feet by eight feet by 16 feet (124 square feet).

(c) All portable storage containers shall be in a condition free from rust, peeling paint and other forms of deterioration. The PCS unit shall be maintained so that it is rodent, vermin and insect-free.

(7) Advertising. The PSC unit may not contain advertising beyond the identification of the company name and phone number of the company which placed the container on the property

(8) Violations and penalties. Any person who shall place or maintain a PSC unit in violation of this subsection shall be cited by the Borough Code Enforcement Officer and, upon conviction by a District Justice, be sentenced to pay a fine not in excess of $500. Each day that a violation continues shall constitute an additional violation.

2. All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are repealed, rescinded, cancelled and annulled.

3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.
DULY ENACTED THIS _____DAY OF __________(MONTH), ______(YEAR) BY THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ____________.

BY: ___________________
    President

ATTEST:__________________
    Borough Secretary

EXAMINED AND APPROVE THIS _________DAY OF ______(MONTH), _____(YEAR).

BY________________________
    Borough Mayor