EMERGENCY

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY REGARDING LACK OF AIR CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT FOR CITY HALL AND AUTHORIZATION THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE EMERGENCY PURCHASES OF AIR CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT AND NECESSARY REPAIRS

WHEREAS the City of Coatesville is a Third Class City and Home Rule Municipality located at One City Hall Place, Coatesville Chester County, Pennsylvania (hereinafter the "City"); and,

WHEREAS, the City Charter at § 2-309 authorizes the City Council, in the event of substantial public emergency affecting the life, health, property and peace of the citizens of Coatesville... [to] adopt one or more emergency ordinances.”; and,

WHEREAS, the City Hall is not operating with adequate air conditioning equipment as there has been a catastrophic and recent failure of the system which is not capable of being addressed without the installation of two (2) new replacement air conditioning units; and,

WHEREAS, in the absence of such new replacement air conditioning units, the City Hall will become too hot to allow continued City operations (the building is designed for air conditioning and cannot be successfully cooled by alternate means) and, therefore, will put at risk the citizens of the City; and,

WHEREAS, the replacement of the air conditioning units is vitally necessary to alleviate the state of emergency which exists - as without same at the City Hall (wherein are located the City Police Department, Office of City Manager, Finance Department, Office of Fire Chief, Codes Department, Finance Department, Communications officers and others) the City will not be able to function and provide needed services to the community: and,

WHEREAS, the City Charter identifies that competitive bidding of contracts is not required for “emergency repairs”. See, City Charter § 2-607.B (6); and,

WHEREAS, the City Code at Chapter 19 also has provisions regarding Emergency Management and the declaration of a State of Emergency which grants broad powers to the City Manager to address such emergency conditions;

NOW THEREFORE, in considering the foregoing and the authorities recited therein, the City of Coatesville Declares a State of Emergency at City Hall due to lack of air conditioning and a need to make emergency purchases and further determines as follows:
The City Council empowers the City Manager or his designated representative to act as follows:

To enter into a contract to obtain and install two (2) air conditioning units at City Hall to alleviate the emergency conditions and take all additional action necessary to alleviate this problem.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the City Council of Coatesville, Chester County, Pennsylvania on this 22nd day of April, 2017.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COATESVILLE

C. Arvilla Hunt, President

ATTEST:

Michael T. Trio, City Manager

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the forgoing Ordinance was introduced on May 22, 2017, and was duly enacted by the Council of the City of Coatesville, Chester County, Pennsylvania on May 22, 2017, and that the vote upon the said Ordinance has been recorded in the Minutes of the City Council and that the Ordinance has been fully recorded.

Michael T. Trio, City Manager