## BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK ORDINANCE NO. 20-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 165, DISORDERLY CONDUCT, OF THE "CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, 2010" TO PROHIBIT THE FEEDING OF DEER.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park, Middlesex County, that Section 165-1 of the "Code of the Borough of Highland Park, 2010" which prohibits acts of disorderly conduct within the Borough is amended by adding thereto a new Paragraph T which shall read as follows:

"No person shall purposely or knowingly, as said terms are defined in Title to C of the New Jersey Revised Statutes, feed wild white-tailed deer (Odocoileus virginianus) in the Borough, on land either publicly or privately owned. It shall be presumed that the person is purposely or knowingly feeding deer unless the feed is placed on a platform that is raised at least four feet off the ground and has a lip around the edge of the platform; placed on a platform that is raised at least five feet off the ground, if the platform has no lip around the edge of the platform or is placed in a feeder whose opening is sufficiently restricted so as to prevent deer from accessing the feed. Notwithstanding the requirements of Section 165-3 with regard to violations and penalties, if any person violates this Section of the Code, the police department upon the first violation shall issue a warning to that person not to feed the deer or to comply with the provision set forth hereinabove. After the first warning, any person violating this Section shall be subject to penalties provided for in Section 165-3 hereinbelow."

2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as provided for by law.

Introduced and Passed

on First Reading: August 18, 2020

Adopted: Approved:

Attest:

Joan Hullings, Municipal Clerk Gayle Brill-Mittler, Mayor