

THIS ORDINANCE PROVIDES THAT THE BOROUGH HAS THE AUTHORITY TO OFFER AN AWARD OF \$250.00 FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF ANY INDIVIDUALS COMMITTING A CRIME OF ANY TYPE, INCLUDING VANDALISM, IN THE BOROUGH AND PROVIDING A MECHANISM BY WHICH THE BOROUGH MAY COLLECT THE REWARD FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE ULTIMATELY CONVICTED OF THE CRIMINAL ACTS.

WHEREAS, the Borough, in order to protect the people and property of the Borough, have determined that a reward policy would be in the best interest of the citizens of the Borough.

NOW THEREFORE, be it enacted and ordained by the Borough Council as follows:

1. The Administrator of the Borough and/or Police Chief of the Borough is hereby authorized to offer an award of up to \$250.00 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any individuals committing a crime, including vandalism, within the boundaries of the Borough.
2. Any individual who pleads guilty or is convicted of any crime or vandalism occurring within the boundaries of the Borough in which the Borough is obligated to pay a reward of up to \$250.00 to an individual or individuals who provided information which led to the arrest and conviction of the criminal, shall be responsible and obligated to reimburse the Borough for the aforesaid reward money.
3. In the event the individual or individuals who plead guilty or are convicted of a crime which occurred within the limits of the Borough do not reimburse the Borough for any reward money set forth in the previous paragraphs of this Ordinance, the Borough Administrator and/or Chief of Police is specifically authorized to file an action at the local District Justice's office or the Court of Common Pleas to collect any reward money paid by the Borough which leads to the arrest and conviction and/or guilty plea of said individuals.

This is a sample ordinance. We suggest that it be modified, as appropriate, to fit the needs of your borough. We also suggest that all proposed ordinances be reviewed by your solicitor. Although these are samples of ordinances which have been adopted by other municipalities, the Association cannot assume responsibility for ensuring their legality. We are pleased to provide this service free of charge to our members. If we can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us: **PENNSYLVANIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF BOROUGHES**, 2941 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110. 717-236-9526.