

TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-12

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE
AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE
TO REPEAL ORDINANCE 2006-01 AND TO DELETE THE
PROVISIONS IN THE FLORENCE TOWNSHIP CODE
ENTITLED “SEX OFFENDER-FREE ZONE”**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Supreme Court has ruled, in the case of GH v Township of Galloway (A-64/65-08, decided May 8, 2009) that municipal ordinances regulating where sex offenders may reside are invalid as pre-empted by Megan’s Law; and

WHEREAS, it is, therefore, necessary that Ordinance 2006-01 establishing such regulations be repealed,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Florence, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. Ordinance 2006-01 be and hereby is repealed and the provisions thereof shall be deleted from the Florence Township Code.

Section 2. If a court of competent jurisdiction shall declare any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof.

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances of the Township of Florence heretofore adopted that are inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption. Notice of adoption shall be published as provided by law.

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NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

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Take Notice that the Ordinance identified above which repeals Ordinance 2006-01 establishing Sex Offender-Free Zones because the New Jersey Supreme Court has ruled such ordinances as invalid and in conflict with the provisions of Megan’s Law has been adopted on first reading by the Township Council of the Township of Florence, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, held on May 20, 2009. It will be considered for final passage after public hearing to be held on June 3, 2009, at 8:00 P.M. in the Municipal Complex, Council Chambers, 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey.

Copies of the full ordinance are on file with the Township Clerk of the Township of Florence in the Municipal Complex. Copies may be obtained on request and a copy is posted on the municipal bulletin board in the Municipal Complex at 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey.

Joy M. Weiler, RMC, CMC
Township Clerk