ORDINANCE NO. 73

AN ORDINANCE MAKING IT UNLAWFUL TO DISCHARGE OR SHOOT ANY FIREARM, AIR GUN, SPRING GUN, OR OTHER DANGEROUS WEAPON EXCEPT AS PROVIDED HEREIN, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF

FOR the purpose of promoting health, safety, morals and general welfare of the inhabitants of the Township of Ohio,

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Ohio, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

Section 1. On and after the effective date of this Ordinance, it shall be unlawful for any person to discharge or shoot any firearm, air gun, spring gun or other implement which impels with force a pellet or projectile of any kind, except as provided in Section 2 of this Ordinance.

Section 2. The prohibition contained in Section 1 of this Ordinance shall not apply to the following:

(a) Any person, having first obtained the permission of the property owner, lawfully hunting in accordance with the Game Laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

(b) Any person lawfully using a bow and arrow.

(c) Any person who discharges or shoots a firearm or other dangerous weapon in defense of his property or person, or in defense of the person of another.

(d) Any person who discharges or shoots a firearm or other dangerous weapon in the performance of his

official duty as a police officer, or other properly authorized and empowered representative or employee of a municipality or governmental agency.

(e) Any person who discharges or shoots a firearm as a member of a club or other group when firing upon an approved and supervised shooting range.

Section 3. Any club, group, individual, corporation or other legal entity hereafter desiring to operate a range for the discharge of firearms, shall be required to first obtain a permit from the Board of Supervisors of Ohio Township. The applicant shall submit such information as may berequested by the Chief of Police of Ohio Township, who shall then inspect the proposed range and determine that it meets with the safety standards of the National Rifle Association, and that adequate adult supervision of the range will be maintained at all times it is in use. The Chief of Police shall then certify to the Board of Supervisors that the proposed range meets with the aforesaid requirements. The Board of Supervisors may then issue a permit for the operation thereof. Annual permits shall be issued at a charge of $5.00.

Any alteration, change, or relocation of any range for which a permit has been issued, shall not be made without a reapplication and certification in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Section; provided, however, that there shall be no additional charge for the reissuance of the annual permit if the alteration, change or relocation of any range is approved by the Board of Supervisors.

Section 4. Any person violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction before a Justice of the Peace, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars ($100.00), and in default of payment, shall undergo imprisonment for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days. All fines collected upon conviction or upon forfeiture of bail shall be paid to the Township Treasurer.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED into law this 19th day of October, 1966.

ATTEST:

Thomas R. Jordan

Thomas R. Jordan, Secretary

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TOWNSHIP OF OHIO

By John Verduce

John Verduce, Chairman

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