ORD.#16-2020	Ordinance of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Amending Section 388-5 of the Township Code to Clarify the Definition of Personal Watercraft.
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ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING SECTION 388-5 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF PERSONAL WATERCRAFT

- WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Police have received an increasing number of complaints of personal watercraft ("PWC") being operated on Budd Lake on weekends, in violation of Section 388-8G of the Township Code; and
- **WHEREAS**, Section 388-5 of the Township Code currently defines PWC as "Either a Jet Ski or a waterbike"; and
- WHEREAS, the Administration has reviewed the legislative history of the ordinance and determined that the intent was to prohibit all types of PWC including, but not limited to, Jet Ski (a commercial brand name) and waterbikes; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Administration has recommended amending the definition of PWC to harmonize it with the intent of the ordinance and with the definition contained within <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 12:7-62; and
- WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Council find it in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of Township residents and visitors to make this change.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:
- **SECTION 1.** Chapter 388, Vessels, Vehicles and Traffic, Article II, Operation on Budd Lake, § 388-5, Definitions, "Personal Watercraft," of the Code of the Township of Mount Olive is hereby amended to read as follows:

PERSONAL WATERCRAFT

- In accordance with N.J.S.A. 12:7-62, as amended from time to time, a power vessel defined as a Class "A" vessel by the United States Coast Guard, and which
 - a. Is designed to be operated from a sitting, standing or kneeling position;
 - b. Is equipped with an internal combustion engine which powers a water jet pump; and
 - c. Cannot be operated in a manner so as to disengage the pump so as to prevent the vessel from making headway.
- **SECTION 2.** If any section, subsection, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.
 - **SECTION 3.** This Ordinance may be renumbered for purposes of codification.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days following final passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

Introduced: 9/1/2020 Adopted: 9/15/2020 Effective Date: 10/9/2020

TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE

Joe Nicastro, Fownship Council President

ATTEST: 9/15/20

Michelle Masser, Township Clerk