

**ORDINANCE NO.: 09-09**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF TARENTUM, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, PROHIBITING THE OUTDOOR PLACEMENT OR STORAGE OF INDOOR FURNITURE AND APPLIANCES; TIRES; MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS; ENGINE PARTS, MACHINE PARTS, AND BATTERIES; MARKED OR UNMARKED CHEMICAL CONTAINERS, VATS OR DRUMS; HAZARDOUS OR VOLITILE WASTE UNSUITABLE FOR RESIDENTIAL WASTE OR GARBAGE COLLECTION; AND PROVIDING FOR FINES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.**

*WHEREAS*, The Council of the Borough of Tarentum has determined that indoor furniture and appliances placed or stored on the exterior of property raises serious health concerns because the materials contained in the fabric and filling of upholstered pieces and the cabinetry of household appliances harbor nesting places for rodents and insects, creating a nuisance and health hazard to the immediate neighbors and community at large; and

*WHEREAS*, the Council of the Borough of Tarentum has determined that indoor furniture can be flammable, and a fire hazard to property and a burden on services of the Borough's volunteer fire companies; and

*WHEREAS*, Council of the Borough of Tarentum has determined that appliances present a physical danger to young children;

*WHEREAS*, Council of the Borough of Tarentum has determined that tires improperly placed or stored on the exterior of property raise serious health concerns because collections of stagnant water harbor nesting places for rodents and insects, creating a nuisance and health hazard to the immediate neighbors and community at large; and

*WHEREAS*, the Council of the Borough of Tarentum has determined that tires can be flammable and inappropriate storage poses a noxious gas danger and fire hazard to property and a burden on services of the Borough's volunteer fire companies; and

*WHEREAS*, Council of the Borough of Tarentum has determined that motor vehicle parts, engine parts, machine parts, batteries, etc. placed or stored on the exterior of property raise serious health concerns, pose substantial risk of environmental spills or leakage and harbor nesting places for rodents and insects, creating a nuisance and health hazard to the immediate neighbors and community at large; and

**WHEREAS**, Council of the Borough of Tarentum has determined that marked or unmarked chemical containers, vats or drums placed or stored on the exterior of property pose substantial risk of environmental spills or leakage, cause serious health concerns, present danger to pets and animal, and harbor nesting places for rodents and insects, creating a nuisance and health hazard to the immediate neighbors and community at large; and

**WHEREAS**, Council of the Borough of Tarentum has determined that that marked or unmarked chemical containers, vats or drums present a danger to young children;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by Council of the Borough of Tarentum, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by authority of same as follows:

**SECTION I**  
**[DEFINITIONS]**

**“Upholstered furniture”** means any furniture that contains attached filling material and is used or intended to be used for sitting, reclining, sleeping or resting indoors.

**“Appliances”** means any range, stove, refrigerator, freezer, microwave, washer or dryer.

**“Landlord”** means a duly registered property owner letting real property for use or hire.

**“Tenant”** means leasee, occupant, resident.

**SECTION II**

- A.** The use, placement, or storage of any upholstered furniture manufactured primarily for indoor use, including but not limited to mattresses and box springs, sofas, loungers, recliners and chairs and the use, placement, or storage of any appliance shall be prohibited outdoors, including any front, back or side yard, porch, stoop, landing, patio, deck or balcony.
- B.** The use, placement or storage of any motor vehicle part, engine parts, tires, batteries, chemical containers or hazardous material shall be prohibited outdoors, including any front, back or side yard, porch, stoop, landing, patio, deck or balcony.

**SECTION III**

Any person violating this Ordinance or Landlord permitting violation of this Ordinance shall be fined a minimum of Two Hundred and NO/100 ----- (\$200.00) ----- Dollars and a maximum of up to Five Hundred and NO/100 ----- (\$500.00) ----- Dollars plus Court Costs. Each day after the FIVE (5) day WARNING NOTICE is issued that the condition continues shall constitute a separate offense.

**SECTION IV**

The Tarentum Code Enforcement Officer or the Tarentum Police may enforce this Ordinance on or after the date following the date FIVE (5) day WARNING NOTICE posted on the door of the premises indicating violation of this Ordinance.

**SECTION V**

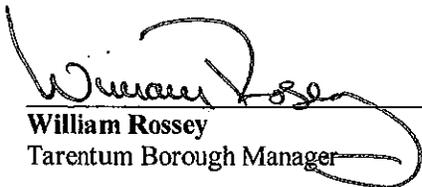
Landlords are deemed to violate this Ordinance if they have received a Five (5) day Warning Notice or if they are not Registered Owners.

**SECTION VI**

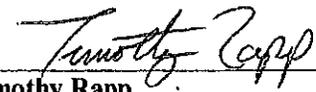
All prior Ordinances or sections thereof conflicting with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

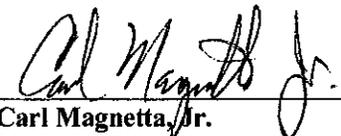
ORDAINED AND ENACTED INTO LAW this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009.

ATTEST:

  
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William Rossey  
Tarentum Borough Manager

BOROUGH OF TARENTUM

  
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Timothy Rapp  
Council President

  
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Carl Magnetta, Jr.  
Mayor of Tarentum Borough