

ORDINANCE

NO. 2020- 01

**AN ORDINANCE OF LEWIS TOWNSHIP, UNION COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA,
DECLARING LEWIS TOWNSHIP, UNION COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AS A
SECOND AMENDMENT SANCTUARY.**

**BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LEWIS
TOWNSHIP, UNION COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AND IT IS HEREBY ENACTED
AND ORDAINED BY AUTHORITY OF THE SAME AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1: Title. The title of this Ordinance shall be known as the "Second Amendment Sanctuary Ordinance," or "SASO."

SECTION 2: Findings. The people of Lewis Township, Union County, Pennsylvania, find and declare:

2.1 Acting through the United State Constitution, the people created government to be their agent in the exercise of a few defined powers, while reserving to the citizens the right to decide on matters which concern their lives, liberty, and property in the ordinary course of affairs.

2.2 The Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America states, "A well-regulated Militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the People to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed."

2.3 Article I, Section 21 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania states, "The right of the citizens to bear arms in defense of themselves and the State shall not be questioned."

2.4 The right of the people to keep and bear arms is further protected from infringement by State and Local Governments under the Ninth, Tenth, and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States of America.

2.5 The Supreme Court of the United States of America in *District of Columbia v. Heller* recognized the individual's right to keep and bear arms, as protected by the Second Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America. Justice Antonin Scalia's prevailing opinion in that case stated that the Second Amendment protects an individual's right to possess a firearm unconnected with service in a militia, and the right to use that firearm for traditionally lawful purposes, such as self-defense within the home.

2.6 Section 1 of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America states, "No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any