

**BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT  
CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
ORDINANCE NO. 506**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT, COUNTY OF CAMBRIA AND COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, PROHIBITING THE USE OF TOBACCO IN RECREATIONAL AREAS, PARKS AND PLAYGROUND AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.**

The Municipality's Parks and Recreational facilities will serve to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Borough of Southmont.

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Southmont acknowledges that second hand tobacco smoke poses a threat to the health, safety and welfare of adults and minor children; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Surgeon General has determined that there is no safe level of exposure to tobacco smoke pollution; and

**WHEREAS**, secondhand tobacco smoke is responsible for over 50,000 deaths among nonsmokers each year; and

**WHEREAS**, tobacco kills more Americans each year than alcohol, cocaine, heroin, homicide, and suicide, accidents, fire and AIDS combined; and

**WHEREAS**, 80% of smokers started smoking before the age of 18, and the average initiation age is 12 years old; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Southmont Council desires to discourage tobacco use and promote the public health by making Municipality owned parks, playground and recreational fields "tobacco free zones."

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

- Section 1: Designated Tobacco-Free Areas:** That the areas of parks and playgrounds where children are present including Diamond Boulevard Playground, the Bird Sanctuary and the basketball courts/soccer field along State Street in the Borough of Southmont be designated tobacco-free and the use of any tobacco product in any form shall be prohibited hereafter.
- Section 2:** Young Lungs at Play Signs or other appropriate signage will be posted delineating the tobacco-free areas.

**Section 3: Enforcement:** Any person violating any provision of this Ordinance shall upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00) and costs of prosecution, for each offense thereof.

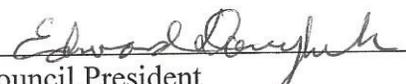
**Section 4:** The community shall be notified of this Ordinance.

This Ordinance shall become effective on the 19<sup>th</sup> of September, 2016

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016, a quorum being present and acting throughout.

ATTEST:

  
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Borough Secretary

  
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Council President

  
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Mayor