

**ORDINANCE NO.**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF CARLISLE, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING AN ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF ESTABLISHING A GOVERNMENT STUDY COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF AN OPTIONAL FORM OF GOVERNMENT OR A HOME RULE CHARTER FOR THE BOROUGH OF CARLISLE.**

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Carlisle ("Council") is a governing body under the Home Rule Charter and Optional Plans Law (P.L. 1158, No. 177, Act of December 19, 1996 (53 Pa.C.S.A. §2901, et seq.)) authorized through ordinance to place before the electors of the Borough of Carlisle (the "Borough") the question of whether a government study commission should be established to study the form of government of the Borough and to compare it with other available forms under the laws of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Council believes it is in the best interest of the citizens of the Borough for a government study commission to be elected for purposes of determining whether or not the government of the Borough would be strengthened or made more clearly responsible or accountable to the people or the government more economical or efficient under a changed form of government.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Carlisle, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

1. The Preamble set forth above is incorporated herein as a statement of the legislative intent and purpose of this Ordinance.

2. An election shall be held on the following question, which question shall be provided to the electors at the next municipal or primary election to be held on May 21, 2013:

Shall a government study commission of nine members be elected to study the existing form of government of the municipality, to consider the advisability of the adoption of an optional form of government or a home rule charter, to recommend the adoption of an optional form of government or to draft and recommend a home rule charter?

3. Within five (5) days of final enactment of this Ordinance, the Secretary of the Borough of Carlisle shall file a certified copy of this Ordinance with the Cumberland County Board of Elections, together with a copy of the question to be submitted to the electors.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013.

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF CARLISLE

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joyce E. Stone, Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Perry P. Heath, President

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of January, 2013.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
William M. Kronenberg, Mayor