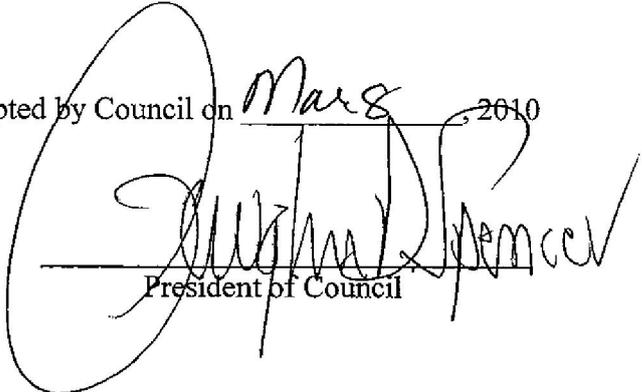


RESOLUTION NO. 25 2010

AUTHORIZING THE EXONERATION OF TAX COLLECTOR FOR CITY AND SCHOOL PROPERTY TAXES, PENALTIES AND INTEREST FOR THE YEAR 2009 FOR 806 and 800 PENN STREET, READING, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

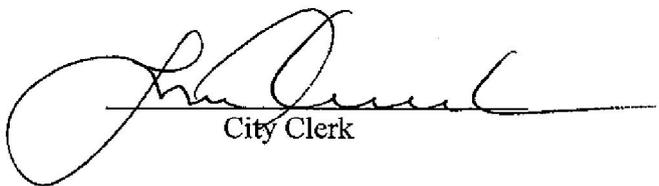
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the City of Reading, City Council does hereby authorize the exoneration of all outstanding City and School Property Taxes, Penalties and Interest for the year 2009, for 806 Penn Street, Reading, Berks County, Pennsylvania, owned by the Reading School District with an account number (PIN) of 03530784905083 and 800 Penn Street, Reading, Berks County, Pennsylvania owned by the Reading School District with an account number (PIN) of 03530784905033.

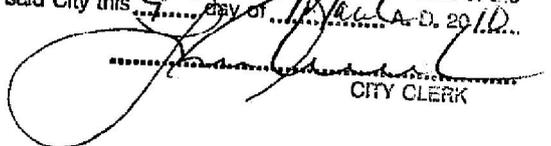
Adopted by Council on March, 2010


President of Council

Attest:



City Clerk

I, LINDA A. KELLEHER, City Clerk of the City of Reading, Pa., do hereby certify, that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original ~~Resolution~~ passed by the Council of the City of Reading, on the 9 day of March, A. D. 2010. Witness my hand and seal of the said City this 9 day of March, A. D. 2010.


CITY CLERK

Berks County Assessment Office
633 Court Street, 3rd Floor
Reading, PA 19601-4320
610-478-6262
www.co.berks.pa.us

FINAL NOTICE

2010 EXEMPTION APPEALS

Date Mailed: NOVEMBER 2, 2009

Your Real Estate Assessment for 2010 County Tax purposes has been set
by the Board of Assessment Appeals at \$104,500

Taxing district: CITY OF READING FULL EXEMPTION GRANTED
Property ID: 03-5307-84-90-5083
Location: 806 PENN ST
Acres: .250 Lot: Deed Bk/Yr: 2009 Pg/Inst: 1091
Description: EXEMPT BUILDING
DETACHED IMPROVEMENTS

Prop. Owner: READING SCHOOL DIST

800 WASHINGTON ST
READING PA 19601

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FINAL NOTICE

2010 EXEMPTION APPEALS

Date Mailed: NOVEMBER 2, 2009

Your Real Estate Assessment for 2010 County Tax purposes has been set
by the Board of Assessment Appeals at \$418,900

Taxing district: CITY OF READING FULL EXEMPTION GRANTED
Property ID: 03-5307-84-90-5033
Location: 800 PENN ST
Acres: .370 Lot:
Description: EXEMPT BUILDING Deed Bk/Yr: 2009 Pg/Inst: 1091

Prop. Owner: READING SCHOool DIST
800 WASHINGTON ST
READING PA 19601

City of Reading
c/o Portnoff Law Associates, Ltd.
POB 351
Norristown, PA 19404

10-02260-0

Reading School District
800 Washington Street
Accounting Dept.
Reading, PA 19601

NOTICE

Portnoff Law Associates, Ltd. (PLA) is a debt collector. This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If you have any questions, please call PLA at 1-866-211-9466.

If you dispute the validity of all or any portion of the enclosed charges, you should notify PLA as to the basis of your dispute within 30 days of your receipt of this letter. If you fail to notify PLA of a dispute, PLA will assume the debt to be valid. If you notify PLA in writing of a dispute, you will be provided with verification of the debt before any further action is taken.

Please be advised that the enclosed letter applies only to the enclosed referenced property and to the delinquent City of Reading real estate taxes for the year 2009. There may be other outstanding taxes and/or municipal claims due for this property or for other properties that you own. Kindly contact PLA for the current balance due for all delinquencies being collected by PLA. Be aware that you also may owe taxes or municipal claims in addition to those being collected by PLA.

City of Reading
10-02260-0/RE1/CS



CITY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA

TAX ADMINISTRATION

FINANCE
DEPARTMENT

February 9, 2010

Reading School District
800 Washington Street
Accounting Dept.
Reading, PA 19601

Re: Unpaid real estate taxes due the City of Reading
Property: 806 Penn Street, Reading, Pennsylvania
Tax Parcel Number: 03-5307-84-90-5083
Balance Due: \$1,361.14

Dear Sir/Madam:

Our records indicate that your real estate taxes for 2009 remain unpaid. The present balance due, as reflected above, consists of a face charge in the amount of \$1,196.00, a penalty charge in the amount of \$119.60, and a collection fee of \$40.00 plus postage charges to reimburse the City of Reading for its costs and expenses associated with providing this notice. We have hired Portnoff Law Associates, Ltd. (PLA) to prepare and provide this notice and to collect our delinquent 2009 real estate taxes. Payment should be made payable to City of Reading, c/o Portnoff Law Associates, Ltd., P.O. Box 3020, Norristown, PA 19404-3020. Please indicate the file number (10-02260-0) when sending payment.

If you would like to request a payment plan, please contact PLA¹ between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at its toll free number 1-866-211-9466 or by email at Reading@portnoffonline.com within 30 days of your receipt of this letter. Standard payment plan terms permit balances between \$500.00-\$1,500.00 to be paid over a 3 month period, and balances greater than \$1,500.00 to be paid over a 6 month period. Balances that are less than \$500.00 are not eligible for a standard payment plan and are expected to be paid within 30 days of your receipt of this letter.

If you need extended payment terms, please request a hardship application by calling PLA at 1-866-211-9466 or by emailing Reading@portnoffonline.com within 30 days of receiving this letter. Hardship applications are available to owner-occupants experiencing financial difficulties. Please note that commercial and/or income-producing properties do not qualify for hardship consideration.

If you currently are in bankruptcy, you may be entitled to certain protections pursuant to the bankruptcy laws. Please contact PLA with your bankruptcy case number.

If PLA does not receive payment in full, a request for a payment plan or hardship application, or notification that you dispute the validity of the claim within 30 days of your receipt of this letter, legal proceedings will be instituted and, pursuant to an ordinance of the City of Reading, the costs of collection, including reasonable attorney fees, will be assessed and added to the amount due pursuant to the fee schedule set forth on the reverse side (page 4 of 4) of this letter.²

Please read the NOTICE accompanying this letter (page 1 of 4), which advises you of certain legal rights.

Very truly yours,
City of Reading

10-02260-0/RE1/CS

Via Certified Mail/Return Receipt Requested

¹ Se habla español.

² The collection fees and attorney fees listed on the fee schedule will be assessed only if the corresponding action needs to be performed.

Fee Schedule

ACTION	COLLECTION FEES
Prepare and Provide Notice Pursuant to 53 PS § 7106	\$40.00 plus postage charges
Bookkeeping fee for Payment Plan longer than three months	\$50.00
Handling Fee for Returned Check	\$30.00
Handling Fee for Refund of Overpayment	\$20.00
ACTION	ATTORNEY FEES
Open File and issue legal demand letter	\$160.00
File Lien and send second demand letter	\$175.00
Prepare and file Writ of Scire Facias	\$175.00
Obtain Re-Issued Writ	\$30.00
Prepare and mail correspondence per Pa. R.C.P. §237.1	\$30.00
Prepare Motion for Alternate Service	\$175.00
Prepare and file Default Judgment	\$175.00
Prepare and file Writ of Execution	\$800.00
Attendance at Sale; Review Schedule of Distribution and Resolve Distribution Issues	\$400.00
Continue Sheriff Sale	\$50.00
Petition to Assess Damages	\$50.00
Petition for Free and Clear Sale	\$400.00
Prepare bankruptcy proof of claim	\$100.00
Services not covered above	At an hourly rate between \$60.00-\$225.00 per hour

Collection fees and attorney fees are subject to change consistent with the City of Reading's Ordinance.

There shall be added to the above amounts reasonable out-of-pocket charges, costs, expenses and fees such as, but not limited to, postage, title searches, prothonotary fees and sheriff fees.

The collection fees and the attorney fees listed above will be assessed only if the corresponding action is performed.

City of Reading