

**ORDINANCE 2023-10**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT,  
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND  
SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 66 OF THE BOROUGH CODE,  
ENTITLED “BRUSH, WEEDS & GRASS” TO PROVIDE FOR THE  
REGULATION OF INVASIVE BAMBOO PLANTS.**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Barnegat Light, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 66 of the Borough Code of the Borough of Barnegat Light is hereby amended and supplemented to provide a new Section 66-6, to be entitled “No Maintaining or Planting of Bamboo Plants,” to read as follows:

**Chapter 66  
BRUSH, WEEDS & GRASS**

§ 66-6. No Maintaining or Planting of Bamboo Plants.

- a. The in-ground planting of bamboo plants is prohibited in the Borough of Barnegat Light.
- b. Regulation of and limitations on existing bamboo plants.
  - 1. All property owners must control the growth of bamboo plants on their property. Failure to control and/or prevent the spread of such vegetation beyond the boundaries of any property within the Borough is a violation of this section.
  - 2. All existing bamboo plantings must be contained by appropriate physical barriers to prevent growth or spread beyond the boundaries of a resident's property.
- c. Removal of bamboo plants. In the event invasive bamboo plant(s) are present on any plot of land, or any other premises or place in the Borough, the Borough shall serve written notice to the property owner to remove or abate the violation within such time as shall be specified in such notice. The cost of abatement shall be borne by the property owner. If the owner fails to comply with such notice within the time period specified herein, the Borough may remove or otherwise control the plant(s) and recover the cost of such removal/control from the property owner, and place a lien on the property to recover the cost of said removal.
- d. Penalty. A violation of this section shall be punishable as provided in Chapter 1, General Provisions, § 1-15. A continuation of such violation for each successive day shall constitute a separate offense and the person or persons allowing or permitting the continuation of such violation will be punished as provided above for each separate offense.

**SECTION 2.** All ordinances of parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Passage on First Reading:      Date: July 17, 2023

	Moved	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Larson			X			
Spark			X			
Wellington			X			
Alloway			X			
Reynolds		X	X			
Foley			X			
Mikuletzky	X		X			

Attest:

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BRENDA L. KUHN, Municipal Clerk

ADOPTION:

Final Passage:                      Date: August 9, 2023

Larson	Moved	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
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Reynolds						
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APPROVED:

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KIRK O. LARSON, Mayor

Attest:

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