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**GENERAL BUSINESS REGISTRATION ORDINANCE
TOWNSHIP OF GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN
ord. no. 312 eff. April 25, 1999**

An Ordinance to secure the public health, safety, and general welfare of the persons within the Charter Township of Grand Haven, Ottawa County, Michigan, by requiring the registration of businesses located within the Township; to prescribe penalties for the violation thereof; to repeal all other ordinances and resolutions to the extent of such inconsistencies; and to provide for the effective date of this Ordinance.

THE TOWNSHIP OF GRAND HAVEN, OTTAWA COUNTY, MICHIGAN,
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Sec. 1 DEFINITIONS

Except where otherwise indicated by the context, the following definitions shall apply in the interpretation and enforcement of this Ordinance.

1. “Person” shall mean any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company, individual or organization of any kind.
2. “Business Premises” or “Premises” shall mean any parcel or property and any structures located thereon used in the operation of a business.

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Sec. 2 REGISTRATION REQUIRED

No person shall, directly or indirectly, engage in any business, trade, profession or occupation in which the person’s business premises are located within the Township, unless such person first registers each business premises with the Township Clerk. The person shall register such facts as may be required by the Township including, but not limited to, the person’s name, the name of the business, the trade or occupation to be engaged in, the address of the business premises, and whether any hazardous products or processes are located on the business premises. Any application for such registration shall be made by the person, one of the partners of a partnership, or one of the offices of a corporation, as the case may be, on a form provided by the Township. The Township Clerk shall provide copies of the completed business registration forms to the Township Fire Inspector, the Township Zoning Administrator, and the Township Assessor.

1. **Amended Registration.** A person on behalf of any business, trade, profession, or occupation, whose business premises are located within the Township, shall file an amended business registration form within thirty (30) days of any of the following events:
 - A. Relocating its business premises within the Township;

- B. Establishing an additional business premises within the Township;
or
 - C. Changing the type of its business operations.
2. **Registration of Existing Businesses.** Within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this Ordinance, all businesses, trades, professions, or occupations whose business premises are located within the Township shall register with the Township Clerk as provided in Section 2 above.
 3. **Renewal Registration.** A person associated with each business, trade, profession, or occupation whose business premises are located within the Township shall renew its registration annually on forms provided by the Township and shall file said renewal registration within thirty (30) days of receipt thereof.

20.0803 Sec. 3 PENALTIES

Any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a civil infraction punishable in accordance with the terms of the Township Ordinance No. 243 effective June 16, 1996. Each day a violation continues to exist shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

20.0804 Sec. 4 SEVERABILITY

This Ordinance and the various parts, sections, subsections, sentences, phrases and clauses thereof are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section, subsection, phrase or clause is adjudicated to be unconstitutional or invalid, it is hereby provided that the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

20.0805 Sec. 5 REPEAL

All resolutions, ordinances, orders or parts thereof in conflict in whole or in part with any of the provisions of this Ordinance, to the extent of such conflict, are hereby repealed.

20.0806 Sec. 6 EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance was approved and adopted by the Grand Haven Charter Township Board on March 22, 1999. This Ordinance shall take effect on April 25, 1999.