TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

ordinance no. ___888

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE FILING OF ASSESSMENT REGISTRATION NOTICE REQUIREMENT IN THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, ESTABLISHING A FEE SCHEDULE THEREFORE, AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES, OR PARTS THEREOF, IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has reviewed the provisions of Indiana Code 6-1.1-5-15, which provides, in part, that in the event an owner of real property demolishes, structurally modifies, or improves his property at a cost of more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), that property owner must file with the County Assessor a form known as an "Assessment Registration Notice", in a manner prescribed by the State Board of Tax Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has determined that the further provisions of Indiana Code 6-1.1-5-15 also require that the owner of property performing the above-described improvements to his property may file the Assessment Registration Notice with the agency issuing a permit for the work, or an official of the political subdivision in which the real property is located; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has further determined that the terms of Indiana Code 6-1.1-5-15 provide that a fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00) shall be charged by the County Assessor for the filing of an Assessment Registration Notice; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has further determined that the terms of Indiana Code 6-1.1-5-15 provide that the Local Governmental Unit in which the real property on which improvements requiring the filing of an Assessment Registration Notice form are filed may collect the Five Dollar (\$5.00) fee, and retain One Dollar (\$1.00) for each Assessment Registration Notice that is filed; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has been notified by the Assessor of St. John Township that it is her intention to strictly comply with the terms and provisions of Indiana Code 6-1.1-5-15; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has determined that it is appropriate and in the best interests of the residents of the Town of St. John to comply with the terms and provisions of Indiana Code 6-1.1-5-15.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA:

SECTION ONE: That the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, shall undertake all actions and requirements to comply with the terms and provisions of Indiana Code 6-1.1-5-15, as the same is amended from time to time.

SECTION TWO: That the Zoning Administrator, Building Inspector, or the duly designated representative of the Town Building and Planning Department shall require every owner of real property who demolishes, structurally modifies, or improves any real property located within the Town at a cost of more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), to file the required Assessment Registration Notice prior to the issuance of a permit for the requested improvements.

SECTION THREE: That the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town shall collect the sum of Five Dollars (\$5.00) for each and every Assessment Registration Notice filed pursuant to the terms of this Ordinance, as amended from time to time, and shall retain the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) for the general fund of the Town of St. John for each Assessment Registration Notice filed.

SECTION FOUR: That on or before the 10th day of each month, the sum of Four Dollars (\$4.00), which sum represents the balance of the fee collected by the Town, after retention of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) by the Town, shall be distributed to the Treasurer of Lake County by the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of St. John, and a proper accounting shall be kept, retained and maintained for audit purposes.

SECTION FIVE: That all existing Ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby deemed null, void, and of no legal effect, and are specifically repealed.

SECTION SIX: If any section, clause, provision, or portion of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect any other section, clause, provision, or portion of this Ordinance.

<u>SECTION SEVEN</u>: That this Ordinance shall take effect, and be in full force and effect, from and after its passage by the Town Council of the Town of St. John.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST.

JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, THIS _// DAY OF _______,

1992.

TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, TOWN COUNCIL

President

Vice-President

Carl Brown

Member

ATTEST:

JUDITH I. COMPAN Clerk-Treasurer