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

### ORDINANCE NO.: 1455

### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 839 PERTAINING TO THE DEFINITION OF A FAMILY IN THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN AND REPEALING ALL TOWN CODE SECTIONS AND ORDINANCES, OR PARTS THEREOF, IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has reviewed the Town of St. John Zoning Ordinance No. 839 pertaining to the definition of "family"; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has been advised by its consultants that an amendment to the Town of St. John Zoning Ordinance No. 839 pertaining to the definition of "family" is recommended; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, held a Public Hearing on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2007, pursuant to published notice as required by applicable law, to consider the advisability and necessity of amending a certain text provision of the Town Zoning Ordinance No.: 839, as amended from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, at the conclusion of the public hearing held, has certified a Favorable Recommendation to the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, that Town Zoning Ordinance No.: 839, as amended from time to time, requires modification and amendment of a certain text provision contained therein pertaining to the definition of "family"; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, having reviewed the applicable provisions of the Indiana Code, as well as the Town of St. John Zoning Ordinance No. 839 and the Plan Commission recommendation, now concurs that it is advisable, necessary, and in the best interests of the residents of the Town of St. John to amend the portion of Town Zoning Ordinance No. 839 that defines "family".

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

**SECTION ONE:** That the definition of "Family" of Section B., entitled **Definitions**, of Title II, of the Town of St. John Zoning Ordinance No. 839 be, and the same is hereby replaced to read and provide as follows, namely:

#### TITLE II.

#### Section B. Definitions.

"<u>Family</u>. Any number of individuals related by blood, marriage, or legal adoption, or a group of not more than three (3) adults (persons sixteen years of age or older) not related by blood or by marriage, and their dependent children, living together on the premises in a dwelling unit."

SECTION TWO: That all existing Town Code Sections and 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 THREE:** That all remaining terms and provisions of Ordinance No. 839, and all amendments thereto, not amended hereby, are hereby ratified and reaffirmed in all respects.

**SECTION FOUR:** 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.

**SECTION FIVE**: 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, Lake County, Indiana.

ALL OF WHICH IS PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS  $\frac{20}{6}$  DAY OF  $\frac{1}{2}$  DAY O

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