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

ORDINANCE NO.: 1499

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TOWN ZONING ORDINANCE NO.: 1483, BEING: "AN ORDINANCE REPLACING TOWN ORDINANCE NO. 839, AS AMENDED, REPEALING ALL TOWN CODE SECTIONS AND ORDINANCES, OR PARTS THEREOF, IN CONFLICT THEREWITH, AND ALL MATTERS RELATED HERETO.", AND ALL MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has reviewed the present text provisions of Town Zoning Ordinance No.: 1483, as amended from time to time, regarding political signs; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, as a result of its review, has advised the Plan Commission that it is necessary to revise or amend Town Zoning Ordinance No.: 1483, as amended from time to time, regarding political signs to assure compliance with and conformance to current applicable law; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, held a Public Hearing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2009, pursuant to published notice as required by applicable law, to consider the advisability and necessity of amending certain text provisions of the Town Zoning Ordinance No.: 1483, as amended from time to time, regarding political signs; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has, at the conclusion of the public hearing held, certified a Favorable Recommendation to the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, that Town Zoning Ordinance No.: 1483, as amended from time to time, requires modification and amendment of certain text provisions contained therein regarding political sign regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, having reviewed said certain recommended text amendments to Town Zoning Ordinance No.: 1483, as amended from time to time, pertaining to political sign regulations, now concurs that it is advisable, appropriate and in the best interests of the residents and property owners of the Town of St. John that certain text provisions of Town Zoning Ordinance No.: 1483, as amended from time to time, be amended and modified pertaining to political sign regulations.

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

<u>SECTION ONE</u>: That Section G.2, entitled Permitted Political Signs, of Chapter 15, entitled Signs, of Town Zoning Ordinance No. 1483, as amended from time to time, be, and the same is hereby replaced to read and provide as follows, namely:

## "G.2 Permitted Signs in Zoning Districts Except for Commercial and Industrial

- a) Temporary signs and banners in all zoning districts, except for Commercial and Industrial, shall be permitted subject to the following:
  - i) Temporary signs with a maximum total area of eight (8) square feet or less are allowed without a permit;
  - ii) Temporary signs with a total area between eight (8) square feet and sixteen (16) square feet are required to obtain a sign permit;
  - iii) Temporary signs shall not exceed eight (8) feet in height or exceed sixteen (16) square feet in total size area;
  - v) Temporary signs are only allowed with the permission of the property owner; and
  - vi) Temporary signs are prohibited from being attached to a utility pole, trees, and public signs."

**SECTION TWO:** That all existing Town Code Sections and Ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed and declared to be null, void, and of no legal effect.

**SECTION THREE:** That 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 FOUR:** 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, pursuant to applicable law.

ALL OF WHICH IS PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 24th DAY OF LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA.

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

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