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**GRATTAN TOWNSHIP
KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN
(Ordinance No. 22-003)**

At a regular meeting of the Township Board for Grattan Township held at the Township offices within the Township on September 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., the following Ordinance/ordinance amendment was offered for adoption by Township Board Member Paul Knoerl and was seconded by Township Board Member Dennis Heffron:

**AN AMENDMENT TO THE GRATTAN TOWNSHIP
ZONING ORDINANCE REGARDING SHORT-TERM
RENTALS AND RELATED MATTERS.**

THE TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN (the “Township”) ORDAINS:

Article 1. A new definition of short-term rentals is hereby added as Section 2.62a to the Grattan Township Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Short-Term Rental – A dwelling unit, cabin, cottage or house that is available for rent or use or is used or rented for habitation, accommodation or lodging of guests, paying a fee or other compensation, for a period of less than 30 consecutive days and nights at a time.

Article 2. A new and additional Section 3.29a is hereby added to the Grattan Township Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Section 3.29a Short-Term Rentals (“STR”).

- A. Short-term rentals are allowed within any zoning district that allows residential dwellings.
- B. Every short-term rental shall fully comply with the Grattan Township Short-Term Rental Ordinance (as amended) and any and all applicable successor or other applicable Grattan Township ordinances.
- C. There shall never be more than 50 short-term rental dwellings, lots and parcels located within the Township at any one time.
- D. Every short-term dwelling, house and cottage shall comply with all applicable fire, safety and building codes.

Article 3. The Remainder of the Grattan Township Zoning Ordinance is Unaffected. Except as expressly amended by this Ordinance/ordinance amendment, the rest of Grattan Township Zoning Ordinance remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

Article 4. Severability. Should a court of competent jurisdiction determine that any portion of this Ordinance/ordinance amendment (or any portion thereof) is invalid or unconstitutional, that shall not affect the balance of this Ordinance/ordinance amendment, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Article 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance/ordinance amendment shall become effective upon the expiration of seven (7) days after this Ordinance/ordinance amendment or a summary thereof appears in the newspaper as provided by law.

The vote to adopt this Ordinance/ordinance amendment was as follows:

YEAS: Frank Force, Michelle Alberts, Sabrina Freeman, Dennis Heffron, Paul Knoerl

NAYS: NA

ABSENT/ABSTAIN: NA

THE ORDINANCE/ORDINANCE AMENDMENT IS DECLARED TO BE DULY ADOPTED.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the above is a true copy of the Ordinance/ordinance amendment adopted by the Township Board for Grattan Township as of the date, time and place as specified above, pursuant to the required statutory procedures.

Respectfully submitted,

By Michelle Alberts
Michelle Alberts
Grattan Township Clerk