ORDINANCE NO. 22-12-2022

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF KINGWOOD, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY CREATING CHAPTER 67 ENTITLED "BUSINESS REGISTRY" ESTABLISHING A REGISTRY FOR BUSINESS-, RENTAL- UNIT, AND MULTI-FAMILY HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE CERTIFICATES

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has enacted a new statute which requires business owners, rental unit owners, and owners of multifamily homes which is four or fewer units, one of which is owner-occupied, to maintain certain liability insurance policies and register certificates of insurance demonstrating compliance with such statute with the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the requirement to register a certificate of insurance shall be effective as of November 6, 2022, 90 days following enactment; and

WHEREAS, said law provides that the municipality may, by ordinance, establish a reasonable administrative fee for the certificate of registration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION I

Chapter 67 – Business Registry

§ 67-1. Liability Insurance Requirements.

Pursuant to S.B. 1368, codified under N.J.S.A. 40A:10A-1 and -2, the owner of a business or owner of a rental unit(s) shall maintain liability insurance for negligent acts and omissions in an amount of no less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) for combined property damage and bodily injury to or death of one or more persons in any one accident or occurrence.

The owner of a multifamily home which is four or fewer units, one of which is owneroccupied, shall maintain liability insurance for negligent acts and omissions in an amount of no less than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00) for combined property damage and bodily injury to or death of one or more persons in any one accident or occurrence.

§ 67-2. Registration Requirements.

All business owners, rental unit owners, and owners of multi-family homes of four or fewer units, one of which is owner occupied, shall register a certificate of insurance as required by the aforementioned statute in the office of the Township Clerk on an annual basis, which office shall maintain a registry of certificates of insurance filed with it, and each registration shall be accompanied by payment of \$_____ as an administrative fee for such registration payable to the Township of Kingwood.

§ 67-3. Failure to Register.

The governing body is authorized to collect, through a summary proceeding pursuant to the "Penalty Enforcement Law of 1999," P.L. 1999, C. 274 (C.2A:58-10 et seq.), a fine of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) but no more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) against an owner who failed to comply with the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION II

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION III

If any article, section, subsection, paragraphs, phrase or sentence is, for any reason, inconsistent with the Code of the Township of Kingwood, or is held to be unconstitutional or invalid, said article, section, subsection, paragraph, phrase or sentence shall be deemed severable.

SECTION IV

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced to pass on first reading at a regular meeting of the Committee of the Township of Kingwood held on October 6, 2022, and ordered published in accordance with the law. Said Ordinance will be considered for final reading and adoption at a regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on November 3, 2022, at 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the Township Committee may hear this Ordinance, at the Municipal Building, 599 Oak Grove Road, Frenchtown, New Jersey, at which time all persons interested may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF TOWNSHIP OF KINGWOOD

Maureen Syrnick, Mayor

Attest: November 3, 2022

Tiffany L. Crivelli, Acting Township Clerk

Introduction: October 6, 2022

Publication: October 13, 2022

Final Adoption: <u>November 3, 2022</u>

Publication By Title Only: <u>November 10, 2022</u>

ROLL CALL VOTE	MOVED	SECONDED	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
T Ciacciarelli						
A Russano						
M Syrnick						

I, Acting Township Clerk of the Township of Kingwood, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of Ordinance No. 22–12-2022 adopted by the Kingwood Township Committee on November 3, 2022.

Tiffany L. Crivelli, Acting Township Clerk