**Acme Township Junk Ordinance**

**Ordinance No. 2020-02**

An ordinance to secure the public peace, health, safety and general welfare of the residents and

property owners of Acme Township, Grand Traverse County, Michigan, by the regulation of the

outdoor parking and storage of motor vehicles, machinery, appliances, and scrap within Acme

Township; and to provide penalties for the violation of this ordinance.

THE TOWNSHIP OF ACME, GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDAINS:

**Section 1. Title.**

This ordinance shall be known and cited as the Acme Township Junk Ordinance.

**Section 2. Definition.**

For the purpose of this ordinance, the term “junk” shall mean any motor vehicle,

machinery, appliance, product or merchandise, scrap metal, other scrap materials which are

damaged, deteriorated, or that are in a condition which prevents their use for the purpose for which

they were intended, and household trash.

**Section 3. Prohibited Acts.**

No person shall place, discard, or abandon junk in a place where it is visible from a highway,

street, or other public way, or where it is visible to an abutting landowner from that portion of the

land used on a regular basis. No person shall place, discard, or abandon junk on public property

or the private property of another regardless if visible from a highway, street, or other public

way, or from adjoining land.

**Section 4. Authorized Enforcement Officers.**

The Grand Traverse County Sheriff and his deputies are authorized as local enforcement officers of

this ordinance, and the Acme Township Zoning Administrator or another person authorized by

resolution of the Township Board are also authorized to enforce this ordinance.

**Section 5. Penalties.**

A violation of this ordinance is a municipal civil infraction, subject to a maximum fine of $500.00

and court costs. Commencing 30 days after receiving notice of a violation, if not abated, each day

the violation continues shall constitute a separate violation of this ordinance.

A violation of this ordinance is also hereby declared to be a nuisance per se. The issuance of a

municipal civil infraction and the imposition of any penalties against the violator shall not

prohibit the Township from seeking injunctive relief against the violator, in order to abate the

violation or to seek other relief provided by law.

**Section 6. Severability.**

The provisions of this ordinance are severable and if any part is declared void or unenforceable by a

court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining parts shall remain in force.

**Section 7. Repeal.**

This Ordinance repeals the prior Acme Township Junk Ordinance #2005-04.

**Section 8. Effective Date.**

This ordinance shall take effect 30 days after publication.