## **ARTICLE I**

#### TITLE, PURPOSE AND LEGAL CLAUSES

# SECTION 1.10 TITLE:

The Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as "The Official Zoning Ordinance of Raisin Charter Township".

### SECTION 1.20 PURPOSE:

The Zoning districts and the regulations specified for each district established by this Ordinance have been constructed in accordance with a general plan for the physical development of Raisin Charter Township.

It is the purpose of this Zoning Ordinance to promote the safety, health, and general welfare of the public; to encourage the use of lands and natural resources in the Township in accordance with their character, adaptability and suitability, property values, and the general character and trend of community development; to prevent excessive concentration of population; to lessen congestion on the public streets and highways; to facilitate adequate provision for streets and highways, sewerage and drainage, water supply and distribution, educational, recreation, and other public facilities; to conserve life, property, and natural resources and the expenditure of funds for public facilities and services, by establishing herein standards for the community development in accordance with the objectives contained in the general plan for the physical development of Raisin Charter Township, and by providing for the enforcement of such standards.

It is the further purpose to adopt provisions within each designated zoning district for the location, size and uses of buildings, lands and premises, and minimum open spaces.

### <u>SECTION 1.30</u> <u>CONFLICT WITH OTHER LAWS:</u>

Any ordinance or parts of any ordinance in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

# SECTION 1.40 VALIDITY OR SEVERABILITY CLAUSE:

Should any article, section, or provision of this Ordinance be decided by the courts to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof other than the part so decided to be unconstitutional or invalid.

# SECTION 1.50 EFFECTIVE DATE:

This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its publication as provided by law.