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**ORDINANCE REPEALING "PEDDLERS AND ITINERANT VENDORS
'ORDINANCE" AND REPLACING IT IN COMPLIANCE WITH CURRENT
STATUTES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; ESTABLISHING A
WRECKER ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF FLORENCE;
AMENDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ORDINANCE;
AMENDING ADULT ENTERTAINMENT ORDINANCE;
AND RELATED PURPOSES**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Authorities of the Town of Florence, Mississippi,
as follows:

- I. Article IV, Peddlers and Itinerant Vendors Ordinance, located on pages 46 through 48 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby repealed.
- II. A new Ordinance replacing said Article IV, is as follows:

ARTICLE IV. TRANSIENT VENDORS

State Law Reference — Authority to regulate transient vendors and photographers, Miss. Code Ann., 1972, Sec. 21-19-35; transient vendors, Sec. 75-85-1, et. seq.

Sec. 5-40. Definitions

As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the following meaning ascribed to them, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

- (a) "Transient vendor" means any person who transacts transient business in the Town of Florence in one locality or by traveling from place to place. The term includes a vendor who for the purposes of carrying on such business hires, leases, uses or occupies any building, structure, motor vehicle, railroad car or real property.
- (b) "Transient business" means any business conducted for the sale of merchandise or services that is carried on at a particular location for a period of less than six (6) months in each year, even though the owner of such business may conduct the business at another location for more than six (6) months in each year.

- (c) "Person" means an individual, corporation, association, partnership or other entity.

Sec. 5-41. License Required

It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the business of transient vendor within the corporate limits of the Town of Florence, Mississippi, without first obtaining a license, as provided herein.

Any person desiring to engage in the business of transient vendor must make application for a license to the Town Clerk not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date on which such person desires to begin operations as transient vendor and the Town Clerk shall cause a copy of such application to be turned over to the Chief of Police for any investigation which he deems fit, and/or for informational purposes in the event the Chief of Police deems no investigation to be appropriate.

The Chief of Police shall, within the thirty (30) day period immediately following the application, to the extent he deems necessary, investigate the business reputation and moral character of the applicant, and if such investigation shall reveal problems, the Chief of Police shall document such findings in a report to the Town Clerk, and the application for a license shall be denied.

If as a result of the said investigation the character and business reputation of the applicant are found to be satisfactory, the Chief of Police shall document such findings in a report to the Town Clerk, and the application for a license shall be approved. A transit vendor license shall be issued only after the applicant has designated a registered agent on the application for license who is a resident of the Town of Florence, paid the license fee, and posted the necessary bond, as hereinafter set forth. The license is not transferrable and is valid only within the corporate limits of the Town of Florence. The new and renewal "Privilege Tax License" form shall be the same form, as designed

by the Mississippi State Tax Commission, in accordance with Section 75-85-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. A copy of the "Privilege Tax License" form is attached hereto as EXHIBIT "A".

Sec. 5.42. Application for License

Every transient vendor or transient business, as described in Sec. 5-40 above, must submit a completed application to the Town Clerk, in accordance with Section 75-85-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, said application forms being the same application forms as those designed by the Mississippi State Tax Commission, in accordance with Section 75-85-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. A copy of the "Registration Application for Privilege License to Operate a Transit Business" is attached hereto as EXHIBIT "B".

Sec. 5-43. License Fee Required

The license fee for a transient vendor in the Town of Florence shall be two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00). The term of the license shall be one year from the date of its issuance. Contingent upon proper business conduct and moral character, the transient vendor license may be renewed on payment of a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) renewal fee prior to the expiration of the current license. A license may be renewed only one (1) time after which a licensee must purchase a new license, requiring the payment of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for a one year period.

Sec. 5-44. Cash or Surety Bond Required

The transient vendor applicant must execute a cash bond or a surety bond issued by a corporate surety authorized to do business in the State of Mississippi, said bond to be in an amount that is the lesser of either Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) or five percent (5%) of the wholesale value of any merchandise or service to be offered for sale by the applicant. The surety bond shall be issued in favor of the state and shall be conditioned upon payment of:

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The third part of the report focuses on the results of the analysis. It presents a series of charts and graphs that illustrate the key findings. These visual aids help to communicate complex information in a clear and concise manner, making it easier for stakeholders to understand the implications of the data.

Finally, the document concludes with a series of recommendations based on the findings. These suggestions are designed to address the identified issues and improve the overall performance of the organization. The author stresses the need for ongoing monitoring and evaluation to ensure that these measures are effective and sustainable.

- (a) ~~All taxes due from the applicant to the state or to a political~~ subdivision of the state;
- (b) any fines assessed against the applicant or the applicant's agents or employees for a violation of state, county or municipal laws regarding transient vendors;
- (c) any judgment rendered against the applicant or the applicant's agents or employees in a cause of action commenced by a purchaser of merchandise or services not later than one (1) year after the date the merchandise or services were sold by the applicant.

The transient vendor shall maintain the bond during the period that the vendor conducts business in the Town of Florence and for a period of one (1) year after the termination of the business.

Sec. 5-45. Posting and Receipt Requirements

While transacting business, a transient vendor shall post in a prominent place where his business is conducted his state sales tax number, his transient vendor license number, and a statement that he is required to give purchasers, at the time of payment, receipts for purchases that include sales tax. The postings shall be written in bold legible letters and numbers not less than one (1) inch in height. The transient shall keep a running total of his sales.

Sec. 5-45. Penalties for Violation

Any person who knowingly or intentionally operates a transient business within the Town of Florence without a valid license, or who knowingly or intentionally advertises, offers for sale, or sells any merchandise in violation of this Ordinance, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or be imprisoned in the county jail not more than six (6) months, or be both fined and imprisoned. Such person may

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The third section details the statistical analysis performed on the collected data. It describes the use of descriptive statistics to summarize the data and inferential statistics to test hypotheses. The results of these analyses are presented in a clear and concise manner, highlighting the key findings of the study.

Finally, the document concludes with a summary of the findings and their implications. It discusses the limitations of the study and suggests areas for future research. The author expresses confidence in the reliability of the data and the validity of the conclusions drawn.

also be proceeded against by suit, and the tax collector may seize and sell any property of the person liable for the tax and penalty in the same manner as property of taxpayers delinquent for the payment of ad valorem taxes due on personal property may be distrained and sold.

Sec. 5-46. Exemptions

Transient vendor license requirements shall not apply to:

- (a) Civic and nonprofit organizations or wholesale sales to retail merchants by commercial travelers;
- (b) Wholesale trade shows or conventions;
- (c) Sales of goods, wares, services or merchandise by sample, catalogue or brochure for future delivery;
- (d) Fairs and convention center activities conducted primarily for amusement or entertainment;
- (e) Any general sale, fair, circus, auction or bazaar sponsored by a church or religious organization.
- (f) Garage sales held on premises devoted to residential use;
- (g) Sales or repairs of crafts or sales or repairs of items made by hand by the person making the crafts or items;
- (h) Duly licensed flea markets operating from a fixed location;
- (i) Sales of agricultural, dairy, poultry, seafood or forest management products or services related to forest management or silvicultural activities, nursery products, foliage plants or ornamental trees, **except** such products or services sold at retail and not grown or produced within the State of Mississippi; and
- (j) Sales of agricultural services.

Provided however, a transient vendor who would not otherwise be exempted from license requirements in this section is not exempted because of a temporary association with a local dealer,

auctioneer, trader, contractor or merchant, or by conducting transient business in connection with or in the name of any local dealer, auctioneer, trader, contractor or merchant.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Governing Authorities of the Town of Florence, Mississippi, as follows:

I. PURPOSE

The Governing Authorities have determined that an Ordinance is needed to control and regulate the use of wrecker companies within the Town of Florence, Mississippi; therefore a new Ordinance is adopted and added to the Code of Ordinances as follows:

CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE V. WRECKERS

Sec. 5-60 Compliance required.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to engage in the business of towing, removing wrecked or disabled vehicles in the Town without complying with the provisions of this Article.

Sec. 5-61 Penalty for violation of article.

An emergency wrecker company owner or employee of any emergency wrecker company who violates the terms and provisions of this article shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or by imprisonment in the county or city jail not exceeding ninety (90) days or both.

Sec. 5-62 Administration and enforcement

In addition to the powers and duties elsewhere prescribed in this article, the Chief of Police is authorized to:

"Owner" means a person who holds legal title to a vehicle, or who has legal right of possession of a vehicle, or legal right of control of a vehicle.

"Parking ban" means certain hours during the day at which time standing, parking or stopping is prohibited along designated streets or parts of streets, by virtue of state or federal law, municipal ordinance, municipal minutes, municipal order, and /or by order of the Chief of Police or his/her designate.

"Person" means an individual, assumed name entity, partnership, joint venture, association, corporation, or other legal entity.

"Rotation" means an occasion when the dispatcher calls an emergency wrecker from the rotation list to remove a wrecked or disabled vehicle.

"Street" means any street, alley, avenue, lane, square or highway within the corporate limits of the town.

"Vehicle" means every device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a street, except devices moved by human power.

"Wrecked vehicle" or "disabled vehicle" or "wrecked and disabled vehicle" means a vehicle that has been damaged as the result of overturning or colliding with another vehicle or object so as to reasonably necessitate that the vehicle be removed by a wrecker, or a vehicle that has or is being impounded or seized, or in the case of disabled vehicles which appear or are deemed to cause or create a nuisance, the vehicles so appearing is so deemed.

"Wrecker" means a vehicle designed to be used primarily for removing wrecked or disabled vehicles upon any street or byway, or, in the case of disabled vehicles which appear or are deemed to cause or create a nuisance from public or private lands.

Sec. 5-64 Prohibited Practices

- (1) No person may drive a wrecker, licensed or unlicensed, to the scene of an accident of the streets of the town unless the person has been called to the scene at the instance of the municipality or by the owner or operator of a vehicle disabled in the accident.
- (2) No person may solicit in any manner, directly or indirectly, on the streets of the town, the business of towing a vehicle which is wrecked or disabled on a street. Proof of the presence of a person in the wrecker business or the presence of a wrecker or motor vehicle owned or operated by a person engaged in the wrecker business, either as owner, operator, employee or agent, on a street in the town, stopped at the scene of an accident which was

not involved in the accident and whose driver or occupants were not witnesses to the accident and which has not been called to the scene at the instance of the municipality, within one (1) hour after the happening of an accident, is *prima facie* evidence of a solicitation in violation of this section.

- (3) No person may solicit any business at the scene of an accident which deals directly or indirectly with the towing, removing, repairing, wrecking, storing, trading or purchase of a wrecked or disabled motor vehicle, vehicle, trailer or semitrailer on the streets, sidewalks or any public place in the city, by distributing an advertisement, advertising a repair shop, garage, or place of business where the wrecked or disabled motor vehicle, vehicle, trailer or semitrailer may be repaired, stored, wrecked, traded or purchased. Proof of the presence of a person engaged in the business of towing, repairing, wrecking, storing, or offering to purchase or trade for a wrecked or disabled motor vehicle, vehicle trailer or semitrailer at the scene of an accident is *prima facie* evidence of solicitation in violation of this section, unless such person was involved in the accident or was a witness to the accident, or was called by the dispatcher to go there.

Sec. 5-65 Response to private calls permitted

A wrecker company may respond within the city to a private request for wrecker service, when a wreck or collision on a street is involved. A wrecker company may respond to a private request for wrecker service to a disabled vehicle not involved in a wreck.

Sec. 5-66 Fire extinguishers required

Each vehicle used to tow other vehicles shall have on hand at least one (1) fire extinguisher of a type recommended by the manufacturer to put out gasoline fires and fires in automobiles. At least one (1) such fire extinguisher shall be in the garage or other place where vehicles used for towing are stored. Such fire extinguisher shall be in plain view in an easily accessible location, and shall be kept properly serviced in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and tagged with date of most recent servicing. Failure to comply with this article shall result in revocation of the license. Each employee shall be informed on the location of the fire extinguisher and of the manufacturer's

instructions for using it and keeping it serviced.

Sec. 5-67 License required

- (1) No person who engages in emergency wrecker service may participate in the wrecker rotation inside the Town without first obtaining an emergency wrecker company license from the Town Clerk. Only one (1) license may be issued to each emergency wrecker company. A license is not assignable or transferable, and is valid for one year from the date of issue.
- (2) The owner of an emergency wrecker company which participates in the rotation shall register with the city the trade name of his wrecker company.
- (3) An emergency wrecker company which participates in the wrecker rotation shall maintain a permanent and established place of business either inside the corporate limits of the Town, or within a seven (7) mile radius of the Town.

Sec. 5-68 License application/renewal

- (1) A person desiring to participate in the emergency wrecker service rotation in the Town shall file with the Chief of Police a written application upon a form provided for that purpose, which must be signed by the applicant or his authorized agent. A sample application form is attached as EXHIBIT "C".

The following minimum information is required in the application:

- (a) Trade name, address, and telephone number of the company.
 - (b) Number and types of wreckers to be operated.
 - (c) Name, address, and telephone number of the owner(s) of the company.
- (2) To be eligible for a license to participate in the emergency wrecker company rotation, an application must have a vehicle or vehicles that meet the requirements of this Section, and the requirements of all state laws and Town Ordinances. The applicant must also show that the applicant is capable of complying with this Section and all applicable state laws and Town Ordinances.
 - (3) The Chief of Police shall, within thirty (30) days of the filing of the application, approve or deny the application based on the findings concerning

applicant's compliance with this article. The Chief of Police shall send to the applicant a written statement setting forth the reasons for the denial of the application and the date of his action in the event that the application is denied.

- (4) An annual license renewal, applied for at least ten (10) days prior to expiration of the license will be granted upon compliance with the provisions of this Section.
- (5) The Chief of Police may, at any time, require additional information of an applicant or licensee to clarify items on the application.

Sec. 5-69 License fee

The annual fee for an emergency wrecker license is twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each emergency wrecker company. The fee is payable upon issuance of a license. No refund of fees may be made.

Sec. 5-70 License issuance

A license to participate in the emergency wrecker rotation shall be issued to applicants complying with the provisions of this Section. No license authorizing participation in the emergency wrecker service rotation shall be issued unless the following requirements are met:

- (1) The applicant shall submit every emergency wrecker proposed to be used in the service for inspection, or at the option of the municipality, a certificate of inspection from an independent mechanic whose inspections are satisfactory to the municipality, that each such wrecker, other than an emergency heavy duty wrecker, must comply with the following minimum requirements:
 - (a) Each wrecker shall be not less than one (1) ton in size and be equipped with booster brakes and a factory wrecker bed.
 - (b) Each wrecker shall be equipped with a power operated winch, winch line, and boom, with a factory rated lifting capacity of not less than eight thousand (8,000) pounds, single line capacity.
 - (c) Each wrecker shall carry as standard equipment, tow bar, towing dollies, safety chains, a fire extinguisher, wrecking bar, boom, shovel and flares.
 - (d) Each wrecker and all of its equipment shall be in a safe and

good working condition.

- (e) Each wrecker shall be equipped with communication equipment that allows direct communication with the wrecker company business office.
- (2) The applicant shall submit every emergency heavy duty wrecker proposed to be used in the service for inspection, or at the option of the municipality, a certificate of inspection from an independent mechanic whose inspections are satisfactory to the municipality. Every emergency heavy duty wrecker must comply with the requirements of subsection (1) of this section except as follows:
 - (a) Each heavy duty wrecker must be not less than two and one-half (2-1/2) tons in size.
 - (b) Each heavy duty wrecker shall be equipped with a power operated winch, winch line and boom, with a factory rated lifting capacity of not less than thirty-two thousand (32,000) pounds, single or double line capacity.
- (3) Each licensee shall maintain twenty-four hour wrecker service and maintain communication equipment that allows direct communication between the wrecker and the business office of the wrecker company on a twenty-four hour basis.
- (4) An applicant must show insurability for public liability as provided in this Section. If issuance of an emergency wrecker company license is approved, and applicant shall procure and keep in full force and effect a policy of public liability insurance issued by a casualty insurance company authorized to do business in the State of Mississippi and in the standard form approved by the State Insurance Commission, with the insured provision of the policy including the Town as an insured, and the coverage provision insuring the public from loss or damage that may arise to any person or property by reason of the operation of an emergency wrecker of the applicant and providing that the amount of recovery on each emergency wrecker shall be in the limits of not less than the following sums:

For damages arising out of bodily injury to or death of one (1) person in any one (1) accident.....\$1,000,000

For damages arising out of bodily injury to or death of two (2) or more persons in any one accident.....\$1,000,000 per

person

For injury to or destruction of property in any one (1) accident.....\$100,000

A Garage-Keepers Lot Liability insurance policy in the amount of \$25,000 per location.

- (5) The policies mentioned in subsection (4) of this section shall contain endorsements providing for thirty (30) days notice to the Chief of Police in the event of any material change or cancellation of tan of the policies.

Sec. 5-71 License - Display

Each license issued pursuant to this division must be posted and kept in a conspicuous place in the wrecker establishment.

Sec. 5-72 Licensee - notification of change

Every licensee shall, within ten (10) days after a partial change of control in ownership, or of management, or of change of address or trade name or of any other information on the application of license, notify the Chief of Police of such changes.

Sec. 5-73 License - refusal to issue or renew

The Chief of Police may refuse to approve issuance or renewal of an emergency wrecker company license for one (1) or more of the following reasons:

- (1) The making of any false statement as to a material matter in an application for a license, or license renewal, or in a meeting concerning the license, same specifically including evidence of aforesaid insurance.
- (2) Violation of, or noncompliance with, any provision or requirement of this article by the licensee, applicant, or an employee of licensee or applicant.
- (3) Revocation of a license, pursuant to this article of the applicant, or any proprietor, partner or corporate officer of the applicant within the eighteen (18) months preceding application.
- (4) Use by the licensee of a trade name for his emergency wrecker company other than the one registered with the Chief of Police.
- (5) Violation or non compliance with any one of the provisions of Sec.

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Finally, the document concludes with a series of recommendations for future actions. It suggests continuing the current marketing efforts while also exploring new channels to reach a wider audience. The author also advises on how to handle potential risks and uncertainties in the market.

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- (6) Suspension of the licensee's emergency wrecker company license two (2) times within twelve (12) months.

Sec. 5-74 License - Suspension

The Chief of Police may suspend an emergency wrecker company license for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days for one (1) or more of the following reasons:

- (1) Failure of the licensee to maintain his wrecker or equipment in good and safe working condition.
- (2) Violation by the licensee or an employee of licensee of any provision of this article.
- (3) Failure of the licensee's wrecker to arrive at the location of a disabled vehicle or vehicle parked in violation of a parking ban within a reasonable time, such time not to exceed fifteen (15) minutes, after having been notified to do so by, or on behalf of, the Police Department.
- (4) Violation by an emergency wrecker driver of a provision of the motor vehicle or traffic laws of this state or city while in the scope of his employment in the emergency wrecker service.
- (5) In the event that a written complaint is filed with the city police department by the owner or operator of a towed vehicle concerning:
 - (a) Any noncompliance with this article;
 - (b) Any violation of this article; or
 - (c) Unresolved citizen complaints involving missing personal property after the tow, damage to towed vehicle from wrecker service, parts or equipment missing from towed or picked-up vehicle after tow pickup, and overcharging;

the emergency wrecker company shall be removed from the city nonpreference wrecker rotation list until such time as said complaint is resolved by the Chief of Police in favor of the emergency wrecker company. In the event said complaint is not resolved in favor of the emergency wrecker company, the emergency wrecker

company shall not be placed back on the nonpreference wrecker rotation list, unless the emergency wrecker company appeals the decision of the Chief of Police to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen and their decision is favorable to the emergency wrecker company.

Sec. 5-75 License Revocation

The Chief of Police may revoke an emergency wrecker company license, upon written notice and hearing for one (1) or more of the following reasons:

- (1) The making of any false statement as to a material matter in an application for license, license renewal, or in a hearing concerning the license.
- (2) Two (2) or more violations of, or noncompliance with, any of the provisions of this article within the period of one (1) year by the licensee, applicant or an employee of the licensee.
- (3) Use by the licensee of a trade name for his emergency wrecker company other than the one registered with the Chief of Police.
- (4) Violation of, or noncompliance with, any one of the provisions of Sec. 5-67.
- (5) Suspension of the licensee's emergency wrecker company license two (2) times within a period of one (1) year.

Sec. 5-75 Appeal

Any action refusing to issue, change or renew a license herein is final unless the applicant or licensee, within ten (10) days after the date of the action, files a written appeal with the City Clerk to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen setting forth specific grounds for appeal. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen shall, within thirty (30) days, grant a hearing to consider the action. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen have

The authority to sustain, reverse, or modify the action appealed. The decision of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen is final.

Sec. 5-77 Nonpreference wrecker rotation list procedure.

When an emergency wrecker is needed, the investigating police will call police department headquarters. On receiving the first call, the dispatcher at headquarters must call the first emergency wrecker company on the rotation list to remove the vehicle to licensee's secure place of storage or a place designated by the Chief of Police. On each succeeding call, the next emergency wrecker company on the list must be called and proper notation of each call must be made on the

master rotation list. If an emergency wrecker company does not have one of its wreckers immediately available when called, the wrecker company will inform the dispatcher and the dispatcher will call the next wrecker company on the rotation. No wrecker company shall have another wrecker company respond to a call it receives when called by the dispatcher.

Sec. 5-78 Wrecker fees

Licensed emergency wrecker companies shall charge fees which shall not exceed the following while servicing calls from the dispatcher:

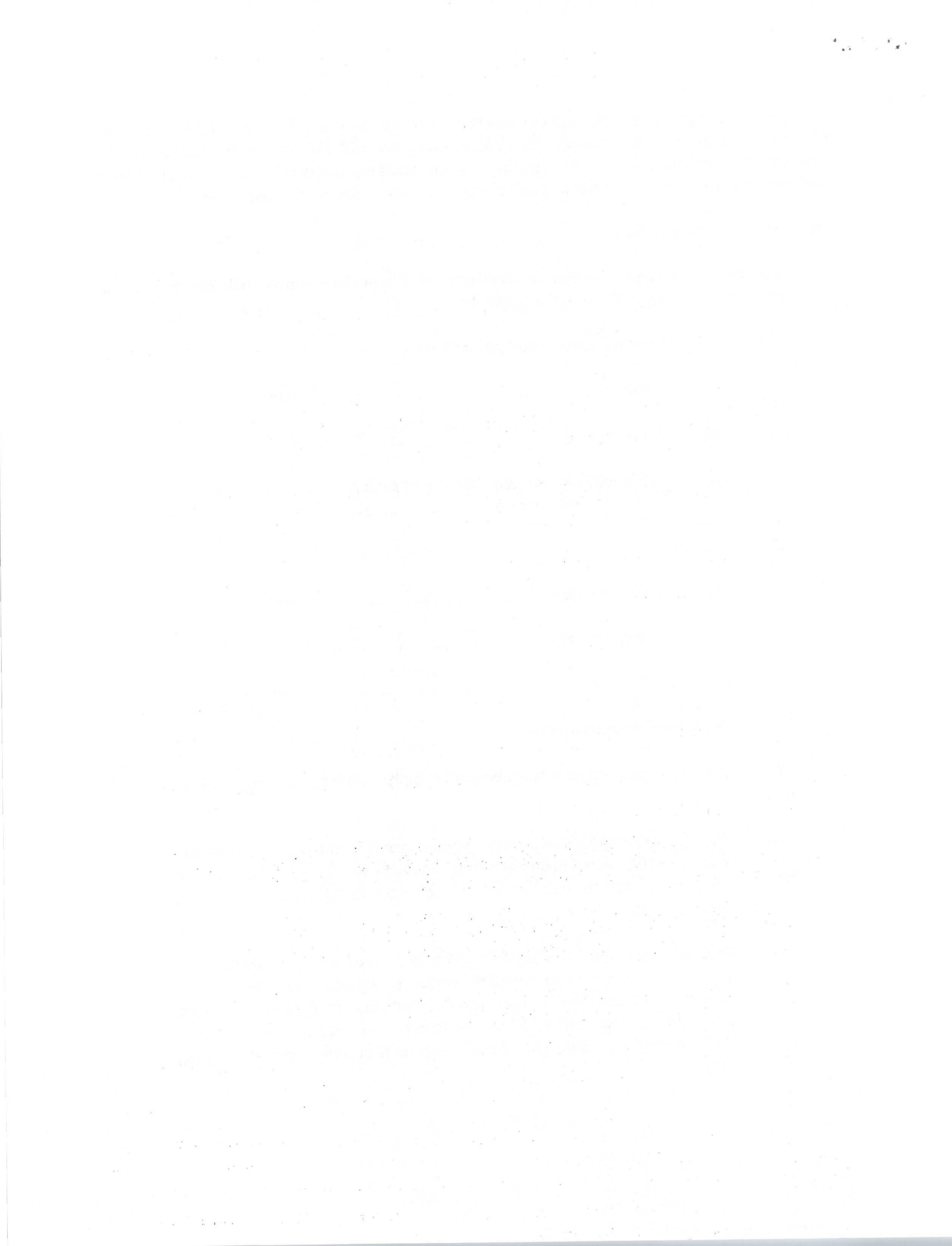
- (1) Wrecker service for cars and pickup truck:
 - (a) Wrecker.....\$70.00
 - (b) Winching..... 30.00
 - (c) Additional per hour wrecker fee for each
Hour after first hour on scene..... 50.00
- (2) Storage
 - (a) Tractor, per day.....\$ 8.00
 - (b) Trailer, per day..... 10.00
 - (c) Car, per day..... 15.00

Sec. 5-79 Procedural requirements

An emergency wrecker company licensee shall comply with the following requirements and procedures:

- (1) Provide a secure place of storage within seven (7) miles of the corporate limits of the Town and maintain twenty-four hour wrecker service. A secure place of storage is one considered to meet the following minimum requirements:

An area surrounded by a six-foot chain link fence topped with three (3) strands of barbed or razor wire and secured by a gate, which shall be kept locked when an employee of the emergency wrecker company is not present, or a building capable of being locked to prevent casual access, or an area where an employee of the emergency company is present twenty-four-hours a day.



- (2) **Maintain a business office within seven (7) miles of the corporate limits of the Town, with minimum office hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with an employee present at all times during such hours to release vehicles, or with an employee available at the storage area within thirty (30) minutes of being called between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., unless such employee is responding to an emergency wrecker call at such time. At all other times the licensee shall have an employee available at the storage area within (1) hour of being called, unless such employee is responding to an emergency wrecker call at such time. A wrecker shall be located at such place of business at all times, unless such wrecker is responding to an emergency wrecker call.**
- (3) Arrive at the accident within a reasonable time after having been notified to do so by the police department, such response time not to exceed fifteen (15) minutes, except that such response time is not applicable to heavy duty wreckers.
- (4) Arrive at the parking ban location within a reasonable time after having been notified to do so by the police department, such response time not to exceed fifteen (15) minutes, except that such response time is not applicable to heavy duty wreckers.
- (5) Deliver, in every instance, the wrecked or disabled vehicle to a location designated by the Chief of Police, or his/her designate, dispatcher or the owner or driver of the vehicle. In the event of different direction, the public safety officer is to be heeded.
- (6) Report to the Chief of Police all changes in emergency wreckers and equipment used in the licensee's emergency wrecker service and render all additional vehicles for inspection by the Chief of Police.
- (7) Employ emergency wrecker drivers who are not habitual violators of the traffic laws, nor the convict within five years of driving under the influence (DUI) of intoxicating liquor or other substance, or any driving related offense. All wrecker drivers must have valid and appropriate commercial driver's license and Depart of Transportation card.
- (8) Completely remove from the site of an accident all resulting wreckage or debris, including all broken glass.
- (9) Not permit the use of a licensee's wrecker by another licensee.
- (10) Permanent vehicle markings indicating the name of the emergency wrecker company

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In addition, the document highlights the need for a clear and consistent accounting policy. This policy should define the methods used for recording and measuring financial events. It should also specify the frequency of reporting and the format of the financial statements. By having a well-defined policy, the organization can ensure that its financial information is reliable and comparable over time.

Another key aspect of good accounting practice is the timely recording of transactions. Delaying entries can lead to inaccuracies and may obscure the true financial position of the organization. The document advises that all transactions should be recorded as soon as they occur, and that the accounting system should be updated regularly to reflect the current state of affairs.

Finally, the document stresses the importance of maintaining proper documentation. All supporting documents, such as receipts, invoices, and bank statements, should be kept in a secure and organized manner. This documentation is essential for conducting audits and for providing evidence in the event of a dispute. The text also notes that digital records can be a more efficient way to manage financial data, provided they are properly secured and backed up.

In conclusion, effective accounting is a critical component of any business's financial management. It provides the foundation for making informed decisions and for ensuring the long-term success of the organization. By following the principles outlined in this document, businesses can achieve greater financial stability and transparency.

~~Nothing in this article shall be construed to permit operation of a wrecker as an authorized emergency vehicle.~~

Sec. 5-80 Use of unlicensed emergency wrecker companies

In the event that there is no licensed emergency wrecker company or companies which are capable of adequately responding to a particular emergency, the Chief of Police may call such additional unlicensed emergency wrecker companies as he deems necessary to remove any disabled vehicles from the public streets.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Governing Authorities of the Town of Florence, that the Code of Ordinances of Florence, Mississippi, Chapter 3, "Alcoholic Beverages", as adopted August 3, 1993, are amended as follows:

- I. **Sec. 3-11 of Article II.** entitled "Sales Authorized" , on page 23 be deleted, such that said paragraph henceforth reads:

Sec. 3-11. Sales Authorized.

"Subject to the provisions of this article, the sale of beer and light wine of an alcohol content of not more than five percent (5%) by weight shall be allowed within the Town of Florence, County of Rankin, Mississippi. (Ord. Of 12-4-91, Sec. 1) (H.B.1145, Chapter 306, amending Section 67-1-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated.)"

- II. **Sec. 3-12. of Article II,** subparagraph (g) on page 24 be deleted, such that said subparagraph henceforth reads:

(g) "To permit on the premises of any place licensed to sell beer or light wine any adult entertainment activities, as defined in Section II. of the "Adult Entertainment Ordinance of Florence, Mississippi Regulating the Location of Adult Entertainment Establishments", as adopted on June 4, 1994.

- III. **Sec. 3-12. Of Article II,** subparagraph (l) on page 25 be deleted, such that said subparagraph henceforth reads:

(l) "To receive, possess or sell on the premises any beverage of any kind or character containing more that five percent (5%) alcohol by weight."

- IV. **Sec 3-13.** entitled "Age limitations; parental consent.", on page 25, be deleted, such that said section henceforth reads:

"Sec. 3-13. Age Limitations

- (1) It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of twenty-one (21) years to purchase, possess or consume any alcoholic beverage within the Town of Florence, Mississippi, except in the circumstance hereinafter set forth in subsection (2).
- (2) A person who is at least eighteen (18) years of age but under the age of twenty-one (21) years may possess and consume beer or light wine with the consent of his/her parent or legal guardian in the presence of his/her parent or legal guardian, and it shall not be unlawful for the parent or legal guardian of such person to furnish beer or light wine to such person who is at least eighteen (18) years of age, so long as said beer or light wine is possessed and consumed in the presence of his/her parent or legal guardian.

- V. **Sec. 3-26.** "Privilege license required." on page 28, be deleted, such that said paragraph henceforth reads:

Sec. 3-26. "Privilege license required."

Any person, partnership, firm or corporation desiring to engage in the business of selling beer or light wine at retail shall pay the Town a privilege tax as authorized by Section 27-11-345 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated at the rate of fifty percent (50%) of the tax imposed by Section 27-71-303, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, and as amended, for the purpose of engaging such business and shall file with the Town Clerk of the Town of Florence, Mississippi, an application showing that said person, partnership, firm or corporation possesses all the requirements provided for in this Ordinance. Further said applicant shall present with the application a permit as required by Section 67-3-23, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. All such Town privilege licenses shall be applied for and renewed annually. Said licenses shall be displayed conspicuously in licensee's place of business and shall not be transferable. It shall be unlawful for any person, partnership, firm or corporation to engage in the business of the retain sale of beer or light wine of an alcoholic content of not more than five percent (5%) by weight without having first applied for and obtained from the Town Clerk and Tax Collector a privilege license to engage in such business as aforesaid. (Ord. Of 12-4-91, Sec. 2)."

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Cross Reference - - Adoption of State Local Privilege Tax Code, Sec. 5-16; prerequisite of health certificate in restaurants Or other food handling establishments, Sec. 11-2.

VI. The following summary will be added as a final page to this section:

**"EXCEPTED AND PARAPHRASED FROM THE MINUTES OF _____
_____, 19_____ REGULAR MEETING.**

A motion was made by Alder _____, seconded by Alder _____, to amend the Code of Ordinances and incorporate same into the formerly adopted Code of Ordinances that had been adopted on August 3, 1993.

- (1) Changes made to Sec. 3-11 (asterisked twice above) of the Code of Ordinances, Article II, Sec. 3-11, Sales Authorized;
- (2) Changes made to Sec. 3-12, subparagraph (g) (asterisked twice above) of the Code of Ordinances, Article II, Sec. 3-12, General Restrictions.
- (3) Changes made to Sec. 3-12, subparagraph (l) (asterisked twice above) of the Code of Ordinances, Article II, Sec. 3-12, General Restrictions.
- (4) Changes made to Sec. 3-13, (asterisked twice above) of the Code of Ordinances, Article II, Sec. 3-13, Age Limitations: parental consent.
- (5) Changes made to Sec 3-26, (asterisked twice above) of the Code of Ordinances, Division 2, Sec. 3-26, Privilege license required.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Governing Authorities of the Town of Florence, Mississippi as follows:

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Florence, Mississippi finds and declares that nudity and sexual conduct and the depiction thereof, coupled with alcohol in public

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places, encourages undesirable behavior and is not in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen have chosen to avoid the disturbances associated with mixing alcohol and nude dancing by means of a reasonable restriction upon establishments which sell spiritous or vinous or malt or brewed beverages.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED that the Adult Entertainment Ordinance of the Town of Florence be amended as follows:

- I. Section I. entitled "Purpose and Intent", on page 5 be deleted, such that said paragraph henceforth reads:

"It is the purpose of this ordinance to regulate sexually oriented businesses and related activities to promote the health, safety, morals, and general welfare of the citizens of the Town, and to establish reasonable and uniform regulations to prevent the deleterious location and concentration of sexually oriented businesses within the Town, and to avoid the disturbances associated with mixing alcohol and adult entertainment type of activities."

- II. Section IV. entitled "Permit and/or License Required" , subsection (A) on page 13 be deleted, such that said subsection (A) reads:

"It shall be unlawful for a person, partnership, firm or business, or corporation to operate a sexually oriented business without a valid permit and/or license issued by the director. It shall also be unlawful for any person, partnership, firm or business, or corporation which is licensed to sell beer or light wine to be licensed to operate a sexually oriented business within the corporate limits of the Town of Florence."

- III. Section V. entitled "Issuance of Permit and/or License", on page 18 shall have an additional subsection (8), which reads as follows:

"(8) The applicant is currently licensed to sell beer or light wine."

- IV. Section X. entitled "Revocation", subsection (B) (2) on page 22 be deleted, such that said subsection (B) (2) paragraph reads:

"A permittee and or licensee or an employee has knowingly allowed possession, use or sale of controlled substances or alcoholic beverages on the premises."

- V. Section X. entitled "Revocation", subsection (B) (5) on page 23 be deleted, such that said subsection (B) (5) paragraph reads:

"a permittee and/or licensee or an employee has knowingly allowed any act of sexual intercourse, sodomy, oral copulation, masturbation, or other sexual conduct to occur in, or on, the permitted and/or licensed premises; or has knowingly permitted the sale, possession and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages of any kind on the premises of said licensed premises;"

- VI. The following summary will be added as a final page to this section:

**"EXCEPTED AND PARAPHRASED FROM THE MINUTES
OF _____, 19____ REGULAR MEETING.**

A motion was made by Alder _____, seconded by Alder _____, to amend the Code of Ordinances and incorporate same into the formerly adopted "Ordinance Amending Zoning Ordinance of Florence, Mississippi, Regulating The Location of Adult Entertainment Establishments; And For Related Purposes" on June 4, 1994.

- (1) Changes made to Section I (asterisked twice above) of the aforesaid Adult Entertainment Ordinance, Purpose and Intent.
- (2) Changes made to Section IV, subparagraph (A) (asterisked twice above) of the aforesaid Adult Entertainment Ordinance, Permit and/or License Required.
- (3) Add paragraph (8) (asterisked twice above) of the aforesaid Adult Entertainment Ordinance, to Section V, Issuance of Permit and/or License Required.

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Finally, the document concludes with a series of recommendations based on the findings. It suggests that further research should be conducted to explore the underlying causes of the observed trends. Additionally, it provides practical advice for how the information can be used to improve current practices.

- (4) Changes made to Section X, subparagraph (B) (2) (asterisked twice above) of the aforesaid Adult Entertainment Ordinance, Revocation
- (5) Changes made to Section X, subparagraph (B) (5), (asterisked twice above) of the aforesaid Adult Entertainment Ordinance, Revocation.

The Clerk of the Board is instructed to publish this Ordinance one time in the Rankin County News. This Ordinance is to become effective after publication and thirty-one days from the date thereof.

SO ORDAINED by the following, this 7th day of December, 1998

APPROVED / DISAPPROVED

Larry Poynor
LARRY POYNOR, MAYOR

VOTING

AYE NAY

Absent
RAY L. BUTLER, ALDERMAN

AYE NAY

Bobby E. Keyes
BOBBY E. KEYES, ALDERMAN

AYE NAY

Velma Lusk
VELMA LUSK, ALDERWOMAN

AYE NAY

Bobbie D. Moudy
BOBBIE D. MOUDY, ALDERMAN

AYE NAY
(SEAL)

Robin C. Whitfield
ROBIN C. WHITFIELD, ALDERMAN

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In addition, it is crucial to review the records regularly to identify any discrepancies or errors. This proactive approach helps in catching mistakes early and prevents them from escalating into larger issues. Consistent monitoring also aids in understanding the overall financial health of the organization.

Furthermore, the document highlights the need for secure storage of all financial documents. Implementing robust security measures, such as password protection and access controls, is essential to prevent unauthorized access and potential data breaches. Regular backups are also recommended to ensure data recovery in case of a disaster.

The final section of the document provides a summary of the key points discussed. It reiterates the importance of accuracy, regular review, and secure storage in maintaining reliable financial records. By following these guidelines, organizations can ensure the integrity and security of their financial data.

It is also noted that while technology can assist in record-keeping, human oversight remains indispensable. Automated systems can reduce the risk of manual errors, but they cannot replace the critical thinking and attention to detail provided by experienced staff members.

In conclusion, the document serves as a comprehensive guide for anyone responsible for financial record-keeping. It offers practical advice and best practices to ensure that all financial activities are properly documented, reviewed, and secured. Adhering to these principles will contribute to the overall success and stability of the organization.

ATTESTED:

Betty Smith
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**TOWN OF FLORENCE
APPLICATION FOR PLACEMENT ON WRECKER ROTATION LOG**

DATE _____

FIRM NAME _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

NIGHTTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

List Number and Types of Wreckers to be operated:

NO. _____ TYPE _____

NO. _____ TYPE _____

List Names/ Addresses / Telephone Numbers of the Owner(s) of your Company

Having read and understood the Wrecker Ordinance of the Town of Florence, I request to be placed on the Rotation Log of the Town of Florence. I hereby agree to abide by the rules and regulations therein set forth. I also understand that I may be removed from the Rotation Log by violation of any of the rules and regulations established by said Ordinance.

Applicant's Signature

Title

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ORDINANCE AMENDING TRANSIENT VENDOR ORDINANCE
PROHIBITING SPECIFIC LOCATIONS AND UPDATING
PENALTY FOR VIOLATION

WHEREAS, Section 21-19-1 et. seq, *Mississippi Code of 1972*, as annotated empowers municipal governing authorities to make regulations to secure the general health, safety and welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Florence adopted Ordinance No. 155 on December 7, 1998, which repealed the existing "Peddlers and Itinerant Vendors" Ordinance with a new "Transient Vendors" Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that amendments are needed to update penalties for violation in accordance with Mississippi statutes; and

WHEREAS, new provisions are needed requiring that all signs erected or posted by transient businesses be in compliance with current city sign ordinances, and regulating the location of transient businesses within the city.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Florence as follows:

1. That **Section 5-45. Penalties for Violation** be and it hereby is repealed and rescinded, and It is hereby repealed and rescinded.
2. That a new **Section 5-45. Penalties for Violation** be and it is hereby adopted in lieu of Item 1. above, as follows:

"Violations of this Ordinance may result in a fine of up to one-thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) and/or imprisonment not exceeding ninety (90) days or both, in accordance with Section 21-13-1."

3. That a new **Section 5-47. Signs** be and it hereby is adopted as follows:

"Should a transient vendor or transient business utilize any sign in conjunction with said business, such signs shall comply with the provisions of the city sign regulations."

4. That a new **Section 5-48 Prohibited on all state and federal highways** be and it hereby is adopted as follows:

"Transient businesses shall not conduct sales of any of its products or services from property located adjacent to any state or federal highway traversing the city."

The City Clerk is instructed to publish, within thirty-one (31) days of the date hereof, this Ordinance one time in the *Rankin County News*. This Ordinance is to become effective after publication and thirty-one (31) days from the date hereof.

The motion to adopt the foregoing Ordinance having been made by Alderperson Pryor and seconded by Alderperson Helms, and the Ordinance having been considered and put to a roll call vote, the results being as follows:

VOTING:

APPROVED:

DISAPPROVED:

AYE

NAY

Pam Clark
ALDERWOMAN PAM CLARK

AYE

NAY

Kelley Martin
ALDERWOMAN KELLEY MARTIN

AYE

NAY

John Helms
ALDERMAN JOHN HELMS

AYE

NAY

Bobbie Moody
ALDERMAN BOBBIE MOUDY

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NAY

Larry Poyner
ALDERMAN LARRY POYNOR

The motion having received the affirmative vote of a majority of members of the Board present, the Mayor therefore declared the motion so carried and the Ordinance ordained this the 5th day of October, 2010.

Bob Morris
BOB MORRIS, MAYOR
CITY OF FLORENCE

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