TOWN OF GEORGETOWN, INDIANA

Ordinance # G-O9-04

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE SUPPRESSION OF DISEASE IN UNLICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GEORGETOWN, INDIANA THAT:

WHEREAS, Floyd County, Indiana has established a local health department board pursuant to I.C. 16-20-2-2, namely the Floyd County Health Department; and

WHEREAS, the Floyd County Health department is charged with the responsibility of disease prevention, control and suppression; and

WHEREAS, the Indiana Department of Health and Human Services is charged with the responsibility of monitoring conditions in licensed child care facilities; and

WHEREAS, an individual may operate a residential child care home for less than six (6) children without a license pursuant to I.C. 12-17.2-2-8; and

WHEREAS, the Floyd County Health Department has the authority to enter upon and inspect private property in regard to the possible presence, source and cause of disease pursuant to I.C. 16-20-1-23; and

WHEREAS, under I.C. 16-20-1-23 the Floyd County Health Department may order what is reasonable and necessary for prevention and suppression of disease and in all reasonable ways protect the public health; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GEORGETOWN, INDIANA as follows:

1. The Town of Georgetown, Indiana (the "Town"), recognizes that if the Floyd County Board of Health has reason to believe that a contagious and/or communicable disease and/or illness is present in an unlicensed child care home, the Town will not interfere with the Floyd County Health Department in requiring any individual operating an unlicensed child care home to cease all operations until the unlicensed child care home has been properly cleaned, sanitized and disinfected to eliminate the possibility of spreading the disease, as provided by Indiana law.

- 2. The Town will not interfere with the Floyd County Health Department in requiring any individual operating an unlicensed child care home to hire professionals, who are properly trained in the eradication of contagious and/or communicable diseases, to clean, sanitize and disinfect the entire premises of the child care home if any child for whom care is provided at the home is found to have any contagious and/or communicable disease or illness, as provided by Indiana law.
- 3. The Town will not interfere with the Floyd County Health Department in requiring any individual operating an unlicensed childcare home to provide proof of immunizations for each child for whom care is provided, as provided by state and/or federal law.
- 4. In the event that any individual and/or unlicensed child care home fails to comply with an order of the Floyd County Health Department, as determined by the Floyd County Health Department, the Town will not interfere with the Floyd County Health Department in issuing an order requiring the unlicensed child care home to immediately cease all operations until the individual and/or unlicensed child care home comes into compliance, as provided by Indiana law.
- 5. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to limit, in any way, the authority and powers granted to the Floyd County Health Department in I.C. 16-20-1-1 et. seq.
- 6. This Ordinance shall be effective upon its passage.

SO ORDAINED this 11th day of May, 2009 BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GEORGETOWN, INDIANA

Billy Stewart, President

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ATTEST:

Doug Cook, Clerk/Treasurer