ORDINANCE NO. 098-014

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE IV, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS, TO PROVIDE MINIMUM STANDARDS TO SAFEGUARD LIFE OR LIMB, PROPERTY, AND PUBLIC WELFARE BY REGULATING THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, QUALITY OF MATERIALS, USE AND OCCUPANCY, LOCATION AND MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES. PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR A REPEAL CLAUSE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Addison be amended by rewriting Chapter 5, Article IV, in its entirety to read as follows:

ARTICLE IV. MECHANICAL CODE

Sec. 5-66. Adopted.

- (a) The rules and regulations of the Uniform Mechanical Code, 1997 Edition, as adopted by the International Conference of Building Officials, are hereby adopted as the rules and regulations regulating and controlling the construction, installation, quality of materials, location, operation and maintenance of heating, ventilating, cooling, refrigeration systems, incinerators and other miscellaneous heat producing appliances in the city.
- (b) The Uniform Mechanical Code, 1997 Edition (a copy of which, authenticated by the signature of the mayor and the city secretary, and made a public record by ordinance, is on file in the city secretary's office) is hereby adopted as the uniform mechanical code of the city as fully as if copied at length in this article, but with the changes therein and additions thereto provided in this article.

Sec. 5-67. Deletions, amendments and additions. The Uniform Mechanical Code as adopted in this article is hereby modified by the deletions amendments and additions provided herein.

Sec. 5-68. Board of Appeals.

The Uniform Mechanical Code is amended by changing subsection 110.1 to read as follows:

- 110.1. General. In order to determine the suitability of alternate materials and type of construction and to provide for reasonable interpretations of the provisions of this code, there shall be and is hereby created a board of appeals consisting of three (3) members and two (2) alternates appointed by the city council. The building official shall be an ex officio member and shall act as secretary of the board. The board of appeals shall adopt reasonable rules and regulations for conducting its investigations and shall render all decisions and findings in writing. The powers of the board of appeals shall be as follows:
- (1) To hear appeals from decisions of the building official.
- (2) To hear requests for the use of a material or method of construction not prescribed by the code and to authorize the use when, in the board's judgment, the material or method of construction is at least equivalent to that prescribed.
- (3) To hear complaints from the building official arising against any person, firm, or corporation licensed by the town to perform air conditioning and refrigeration work and shall have the power, after hearing to revoke or suspend said license for the following reasons:
 - a. Chronic violation of the code
 - b. Misrepresentation of material facts in obtaining said license or renewal thereof
 - c. Chronic failure to secure permits inspections, or approvals as required by the code, or
 - d. Use of said license to obtain a permit for another person, firm, or corporation.

Sec. 5-69. Violations and penalties.

The Uniform Mechanical Code is amended by adding subsection 111.2 to read as follows:

111.2. Penalties. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this code shall be subject to a fine, upon conviction in the municipal court, in any sum not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00), and each and every day of continuance thereof shall constitute a distinct and separate offense. The owner or owners of any building or structure failing to comply with any provisions of this code, and the owner or owners of any premises wherein a violation of the provisions of this code occurs, and any architect, engineer, designer, builder, contractor, agent, person, firm or corporation employed therewith and who has assisted in the commission of any such violation, shall be guilty of a

separate offense.

Sec. 5-70. Licensing and registration of contractor.

The Uniform Mechanical Code is amended by adding subsection 112.4 to read as follows:

- 112.4. Licensing. (a) No person, corporation, firm, or contractor shall engage in the design, installation, construction, maintenance, service, repair, alteration or modification of a product or of equipment in environmental air conditioning, commercial refrigeration, or process cooling or heating systems or ventilation, without first obtaining an air conditioning and refrigeration contractor's license.
- (b) To register with the town as a mechanical contractor, an application shall be made in writing on forms furnished for that purpose along with a fifty dollar (\$50.00) registration fee, and filed with the building official. This application shall contain a copy of the person's state air conditioning and refrigeration license.

Exception: a homeowner is not required to be licensed as a registered contractor to perform work in his own home.

- (c) The air conditioning and refrigeration contractor's license shall be valid for one (1) year from the date of registration.
- (d) The contractor shall be subject to the requirements and penalties of the code of ordinances of the Town of Addison.
- (e) Any person who installs, repairs or alters environmental air conditioning, commercial refrigeration, or process cooling or heating systems or ventilation shall be licensed by the State of Texas to perform such work.

Sec. 5-71. Permit fees.

The Uniform Building Code is amended by changing subsection 115.2 to read as follows:

115.2. permit fees. The fee for each permit shall be as set forth in Section 107.2 of the 1977 Uniform Building Code. There shall be no fee charged for work done as part of the work allowed under a combined permit.

Sec. 5-72. Plan review fee.

The uniform Mechanical Code is amended by changing subsection 115.2 to read as follows:

115.3 Plan review fees. There will be a plan review fee charged for plans sent to ICBO for plan review services.

Sec. 5-73. Reinspections.

The Uniform Mechanical Code is amended by changing subsection 116.6.3 to read as follows:

116.6.3. How obtained. To obtain reinspection, the applicant shall file an application in writing using a form furnished by the Town of Addison for that purpose, and pay the reinspection fee in accordance with Table 1-A of the 1997 Uniform Building Code.

SECTION 2. All other ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance shall be, and the same is hereby repealed, but the repeal of such ordinances or parts of ordinances shall not affect any right, property or claim which was or is vested in the town of Addison, Texas, or any act done, or right accruing or accrued, or established, or any suit, action or proceeding had or commenced before the time when this ordinance shall take effect; nor shall said repeals, amendments or changes effect any offense committed, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any suit or prosecution pending at the time when this ordinance shall take effect under any of the ordinances or sections thereof so repealed.

SECTION 3. In the event that any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, or provision of this ordinance or the Uniform Mechanical Code, 1997 Edition, or revisions thereof, adopted herein shall be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance or of the Uniform Mechanical Code, 1997 Edition, or revisions thereof as a whole or any part of provision other than the part so decided to be invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 4. Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and each and every day that the prohibited condition remains shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall become effective from and after its adoption.

DULY PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS, this the day of _______, 1998.

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