

**ENACTING CLAUSE**

The Township of Oceola, County of Livingston, State of Michigan, ordains;

**ARTICLE 1  
TITLE AND PURPOSE**

**SECTION 1.01 SHORT TITLE**

This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "Township of Oceola Zoning Ordinance."

**SECTION 1.02 PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Ordinance is to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of the community and a wholesome, serviceable and attractive Township by having regulations and restrictions that increase the safety and security of home life; that preserve and create a more favorable environment in which to rear children; that develop permanent good citizenship; that stabilize and enhance property and civic values; that facilitate adequate provisions for increased safety in traffic and transportation; that provide for adequate and efficient vehicular parking, transportation systems, parks, parkways, recreation, schools, public buildings housing, light, energy, air, water supply, sewage disposal, sanitation and other public service and facility requirements; that lessen congestion, disorder and danger which often inherent in unregulated Township development and reduce hazards to life and property; that prevent overcrowding of land and undue concentration and congestion of population, transportation systems and other public facilities; that assist in carrying out a Master Plan of the Township; and that provide more reasonable and serviceable means and methods of protecting and safeguarding the economic structure upon which the good of all depends.

In order to more effectively protect and promote the public health, safety and general welfare and to accomplish the aims and purposes of the master plan, the Township is divided into districts of such number, shape and area, and of such common unity of purpose, and adaptability of use, that are deemed most suitable to provide for the best general civic use, carry out this Ordinance, protect the common rights and interests within each district, preserve the general rights and interests of all, and to promote improved wholesome, sightly harmonious and economic results in civic service, activities and operations; and by further regulations to limit the location, uses and occupancy of buildings, structures and land to be used for trade, industry, places of residence or other purposes, and also the location, height, bulk, occupancy and uses of buildings and other structures, including the percentage of lot occupancy and coverage, street setback lines, sizes of yards, and other open spaces.