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HOME-BASED BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATION

Business Name: _____

Business Owner Name: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____ - _____ Email Address: _____

Business Address: _____

Unit Number: _____ Strap Number: _____ -- _____ -- _____ -- B _____ -- _____ . _____

Business Description and Intent: _____

DIVISION 18. HOME OCCUPATIONS

§4-1495. INTENT OF DIVISION.

It is the intent of this division to allow the operation of home occupations by right in all districts permitting dwelling units, but to regulate them so that the average neighbor, under normal circumstances, will not be disturbed or inconvenienced by them, except as pre-empted by Florida Statute 559.955, as may be amended. For purposes of this section, a business is considered a home-based business if it operates, in whole or in part, from a residential property.

§4-1496. PERMITTED USES; OPERATION.

- A. Any use of a residence for a home occupation must be clearly incidental and subordinate to its use for residential purposes by the occupants.
- B. As viewed from the street, the use of the residential property shall be consistent with the uses of the residential areas that surround the property. External modifications made to a residential dwelling to accommodate a home-based business must conform to the residential character and architectural aesthetics of the neighborhood. The home-based business may not conduct retail transactions at a structure other than the residential dwelling; however, incidental business uses and activities may be conducted at the residential property.
- C. The employees of the business who work at the residential dwelling must also reside in the residential dwelling, except that up to two employees or independent contractors who do not reside at the residential dwelling, may work at the business. The business may have additional remote employees that do not work at the residential dwelling.
- D. There may be no exterior indication that the dwelling is used for any purpose other than a residence, except that one non-illuminated nameplate, not exceeding one square foot (144 square inches) in area, may be attached to the building on or next to the entrance.
- E. Parking related to the business activities of the home-based business must comply with applicable zoning requirements, and the need for parking generated by the business may not be greater in volume than would normally be expected at a similar residence where no business is conducted.
- F. No equipment or process may be used which creates noise, vibration, glare, fumes, odors or electrical interference objectionable to the normal senses. No equipment or process may be used which creates visual or audible interference in any radio or television receiver off the premises or causes fluctuations in line voltage off the premises.

Applicant has reviewed and agrees to comply with Chapter 4, Division 18 of the Land Development Code for a Home Occupation License.

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____