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ARTICLE I
Introductory Provisions

1.01 Purpose

The Purpose of the Warren County addressing and road naming ordinance is to protect the safety and welfare of the general public through the orderly assignment of structure addresses to facilitate the location of and access to individual dwellings and businesses by emergency response personnel.

This ordinance shall establish the standards and procedures for implementing and maintaining a system to address and name all existing roads and structures and all newly constructed properties and roads.

1.02 Enactment and Authority

There is here-by established and adopted a detailed, permanent, uniform, addressing system, pursuant to authority of Chapter 62-A of the General Statutes of North Carolina. In addition, Chapter 65-53A, Article 12 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, empowers the county to name roads.

1.03 Short Title

This ordinance shall be known as the "Addressing and Road Naming Ordinance of Warren County, North Carolina," and may be referred to as the "Addressing Ordinance". The map referred to is identified by the title "Official Road Name and Structure Numbering Map, Warren County, North Carolina," and may be known as the "Addressing Map."

1.04 Territorial Jurisdiction

The Road Naming and Addressing Policies set forth in this ordinance shall be applicable for all of the unincorporated areas of the county and incorporated areas wherein the governing body has adopted a resolution adopting this ordinance.

1.05 Adoption by Incorporated Areas

Any incorporated municipality within the county that is being provided radio communications services by the county's 911 Public Service Answering Point (Sheriff's Office), is requested to adopt a resolution permitting this ordinance to be applicable within said municipality.

ARTICLE II
Administration

2.01 Ordinance Administrator Responsibilities

Ordinance Administrator shall be the Tax Administrator appointed by the Board of Commissioners. Duties and responsibilities shall be as defined by the Board. The E-911 Database Supervisor shall be located in the office of Tax Administrator and be responsible for the daily maintenance of the addressing database. The E-911 Task Force Members will be appointed by the Board of Commissioners. The E-911 Task Force will serve as an advisory committee to the Ordinance Administrator and to the Board of Commissioners with regard to E-911 issues.

2.02 Applications and Petitions (See Article IX Section 9.05)

2.03 Building Permits

The following requirements become effective the date that the "Addressing Map" is accepted from the Contractor by Warren County:

- (a) No building permit shall be issued until an official address number has been assigned. The recorded plat of any subdivision must show the address for each lot created or recorded.
- (b) Final approval for a Certificate of Occupancy of any structure or building erected or repaired shall be withheld until permanent and proper structure numbers have been posted in accordance with the requirements herein.

2.04 Fees

Fees and charges provided in the Warren County Addressing Ordinance for the filing of petitions, applications, the cost of hearings, variances and maps shall be paid by the applicant under this ordinance at the time of application.

2.05 Reason for Denial

If approval is denied, the Ordinance Administrator or its designee shall provide a written explanation of reasons for non-approval of the petition, variance, application, etc.

ARTICLE III
Addressing Map

3.01 Official Road Name and Structure Numbering Map

The Addressing Map shall be entitled, "Official Road Name and Structure Numbering Map, Warren County, North Carolina". The effective date of said map shall be the date that said mapping and addressing is accepted from the contractor by the county upon completion of the contract for all of the mapping, addressing, and Database development by 3Di, Inc (hereafter referred to as "Contractor"). Said map shall hereby be adopted as the Official Road Name and Structure Numbering Map of Warren County. All county addresses assigned shall be assigned in accordance with the specifications of this ordinance and with this map in the office of the E-911 Database Supervisor.

3.02 Maintenance and Storage

The Addressing Map shall be kept on file in the office of the E-911 Database Supervisor. This map may be maintained and updated in data processing storage systems.

ARTICLE IV
The Numbering System

4.01 Uniformity of the System

All roads that are officially designated on the Addressing Map, whether public or private, shall be addressed uniformly and consecutively along the roadway centerline. Numbers shall be assigned to structures along the entirety of all named thoroughfares.

4.02 Road Naming and Numbering Criteria

Any access road, easement, or pathway, whether public or private, shall be named and have road name signs installed if two or more addressable structures are located 100 feet or more off of the main road. All addressable structures on a named road shall be numbered. Addressable structure will include, but not be limited to: a residence, a mobile home, a mobile home hook-up, a business, a warehouse, public telephone, or any other structure in which a telephone is installed.

4.03 Numbering Method

The Origin point for addressing roads, which begin in the county, shall be the County Courthouse. A set of numbers consisting of a three, four, or five digit natural number (called a structure number) shall be assigned at intervals of 21.12 feet along a roadway centerline. Odd structure numbers shall be assigned to the left side of the road by ascending numbers moving away from the point of origin on the thoroughfare. Even structure numbers shall be assigned to the right side of the road in a like manner.

4.04 Loop Roads, Dead End Roads and Cul-de-sacs

The origin point for all loop roads, dead-end roads, and cul-de-sacs shall be the intersection point on the road nearest the County Courthouse.

4.05 Numbers Begin with 100 or 101.

The first potentially assignable structure number (in the first 21.12 feet) on a given road shall be the number 100 or 101, or the number currently assigned by a municipal numbering system, if practicable.

ARTICLE V The Addressing System

5.01 Method of Assigning a Number

The Origin point for addressing roads which begin in the county shall be the County Courthouse. In some cases, it may be necessary to break the length of a road by a designation of North and South or East and West. In those cases, an intersection shall be designated by the county and addressing shall commence at the intersection. Loop roads and dead end roads shall use the point nearest the Courthouse as the origin point. Structures along major thoroughfares I-85 and US 158 Bypass will be numbered from west to east or south to north across the county's unincorporated area with the origin being the most southerly or westerly point. Other US and NC routes will be addressed as follows:

- US 158 will have the origin point at the Courthouse with E/W designations.
- US 401 will have the origin point at the Courthouse with N/S designations.
- NC 58 will be numbered north to south from US 158 radiating from the Courthouse.

- US 1 will have the origin point at its intersection with US 158/US 401 in Norlina and with N/S designations.
- NC 903 will have the origin point at the Halifax County Line with designations progressing northward from that point.
- NC 43 will have the origin point at its intersection with NC 58 in Liberia.

When a thoroughfare enters a municipality, the numbering system may continue consecutively with the municipality street name replacing the highway name. Existing municipal addresses may be used when a municipality has a maintainable addressing system in place that conforms to postal regulations and this ordinance.

Where two postal centers (towns) deliver mail on the same road, one set of numbers running consecutively will be used. Addressing would start at the end of the road, street, lane, etc, that is near the point of origin with odd numbers on left and even numbers on right.

5.02 Corner Lots

Structures on corner lots shall be assigned a structure number either from the road which intersects the addressable driveway to that structure, or from the road in which the main access or entrance to the structure is oriented. The number will be assigned using the method in section 5.01 above and will be assigned in the manner which is most logical.

5.03 Road Name of Address

The road name for an address shall be the name of the road from which the structure is numbered.

5.04 Requirements for Road Naming and Numbering

If development of a private road meets or exceeds the minimum structure regulations provided in the Warren County ordinances and has or expects to have two or more addressable structures, said road shall be named and numbered and structures addressed or re-addressed according to the requirements herein.

5.05 Duplex and Multi-Family Dwellings

One structure number shall be assigned to each structure whose units share a common roof. Each unit within the structure shall be assigned a unit designator. Allowed unit designators include apartment numbers for apartments and numbers for commercial buildings. The unit designator shall be a number, and shall not include alphabetic characters, except as stated in section 5.06 of this ordinance.

5.06 Assigning of Unit Designators

Residential unit designators shall be as follows: ground level floor numbers-#101, #102, #103... second floor numbers-#201, #202, #203 ... etc. All floor levels are to follow this scheme. Underground floor designators shall follow the same scheme with the exception of having a "U" for a prefix, for example #U101, #U102... etc. This section specifically applies to multi-family dwellings. The lowest unit designator should be assigned to the unit closest to the primary entrance to the complex and ascend from there.

5.07 Mobile Homes

Manufactured housing, mobile homes, or mobile home hook-up sites shall be assigned individual street addresses according to the requirements herein, whether they are located on individual lots or in developed parks. The lowest unit designator should be assigned to the unit closest to the primary entrance to the complex and ascend from there.

5.08 Recreational or Resort Communities

Resort communities or recreational developments that have established sites with structures or electrical power hookups shall be assigned individual street addresses in accordance with the requirements herein.

ARTICLE VI

Posting Requirements for Structures

6.01 Time Constraints

Within 60 days after written notification of the assignment of or change of a structure number, the owner of said structure shall post the assigned structure number in compliance with the requirements herein. For buildings under construction, the assigned structure number must be posted before an occupancy permit is issued.

6.02 Number Specifications

All structure numbers shall be constructed of a durable material. The color shall contrast with the color scheme of the structure, and if mounted on glass, shall contrast with the background and be clearly visible. Reflective or illuminated numbers are recommended whenever possible.

The minimum number size for residential structures or units shall be 3 1/2 inches in height. The minimum size for all other structure numbers

shall be six (6) inches in height. In all cases, a number larger than the minimum size may be required where the minimum size does not provide adequate identification.

6.03 Posting Locations

All numerical identifications must be easily identifiable without obstruction of view.

Any dwelling or business located at more than 100 feet from the roadway and/or not clearly visible shall be required to have numerical posting at both the entrance of driveway and located in close proximity to the front door or entrance way.

The post height of 3 feet and a minimum size of 4" x 4" pressure-treated material, will be required for all entrances or private drives that require numerical posting. A mailbox will be suitable, as long as it is placed at the entranceway to the property or is directly across the road from the entranceway and is not located within twenty (20) feet of another mailbox. Numbers on mailboxes shall conform to the same size as structure numbers (4 inches in height) and shall be visible from both sides of the mailbox.

6.04 Maintenance of Structure Numbers

Following the posting of the assigned number as required herein, the owner shall maintain the structure number at all times in compliance with the requirements of this article. Structure numbers and unit designators, as viewed from the road, shall not be obstructed from view.

6.05 Variances

The E-911 Database Supervisor will have the right to authorize and approve alternative methods of displaying structure numbers which meet the intent of the ordinance when strict adherence to these standards cannot be reasonably met.

ARTICLE VII
Road Naming

7.01 Approval of Private Road Names

A subcommittee of the E-911 Task Force, consisting of the E-911 Database Supervisor, County Planner, a E-911 Dispatcher, one member from the E-911 Task Force, and the County Fire Marshall shall review and approve private road names. This same subcommittee shall review and make recommendations to the County Board of Commissioners for names of public roads requiring names. Public road names shall be named by the Warren County Board of Commissioners in accordance with North Carolina GS. 65-153A. The E-911 Task Force Subcommittee shall coordinate the naming of all streets within the incorporated areas of the county with the proper municipal authorities and shall approve or disapprove private street names in accordance with this ordinance.

7.02 Naming Private Roads

The Addressing Contractor or the E-911 Database Supervisor, when an unnamed private road is detected, will assign a temporary numerical designator to the road. The E-911 Database Supervisor will then mail a road naming petition to the predominant property owner and a notice of this action to adjoining property owners. The notice will identify the road section to be named, propose a suggested name if practicable, and allow 30 days for the return of the petition with a two-thirds majority of the named property owners agreeing to the name or a substitute name. If no name or petition is received by the E-911 Database Supervisor within the allotted 30 days time, the E-911 Database Supervisor will name the road and send notice of the new name to property owners listed on the original petition. The E-911 Database Supervisor must approve substitute names or name private roads in accordance with this ordinance.

Existing roads with duplicate names will reviewed by the E-911 Database Supervisor to determine which road was named first. The property owners and residents on the road with the duplicate name will be notified as described above. The naming procedure will be as defined in the previous paragraph.

7.03 New Road Names

When new road names are assigned, every effort should be made to allow the residents of Warren County to select the name that they prefer for the road they live on. To accomplish this, the County has requested that residents prepare and sign petitions that recommend

three (3) alternative names for their road in order of preference. The names recommended will be evaluated as received to verify that they meet other naming requirements specified in this ordinance. Any unacceptable names will be eliminated. Assuming at least one of the names meets all of the specifications set forth in this ordinance, the most preferred of the acceptable names will be forwarded to the County Commissioners for approval.

7.04 Desirable Names

New names that relate to the history, location, or name of a project area, shall be given priority consideration. Road names that are appropriate, pleasant sounding, easy to read, and simple to pronounce shall be promoted. Words commonly recognized as vulgarities or obscenities will not be allowed.

Road names should not consist of more than three words (not including the road name suffix, such as ST, RD, AVE). No road name may contain a directional word (such as north, south, east, or west) as a separate word in the name. The directional prefix for a road name will not be considered a part of the official road name; rather, it is a separate indicator associated with the road name, as is the road name suffix. Roads with hyphenated names may be used when necessary. All road names must meet the specifications set by the United States Postal Service for proper addressing.

7.05 Deceptively Similar Names or Undesirable Names

The E-911 Database Supervisor shall maintain a database of existing road names, so that duplicate or "deceptively similar" or "sound-alike" road names are neither approved nor assigned. The following kinds of names shall be avoided: numerical, alphabetical, similar in nature, and complicated names. The E-911 Database Supervisor is hereby given authority to refuse to accept any road name, which in his opinion violates the spirit or the provisions of this article.

7.06 Suffixes and Prefixes

The following road name suffixes are allowed: Avenue (AVE), Boulevard (BLVD), Circle (CIR), Court (CT), Drive (DR), Highway (HWY), Lane (LN), Loop (LP), Parkway (PKY), Place (PL), Road (RD), Street (ST), Trail (TRL), and Way (WAY).

The following road name directional prefixes are allowed, but their use is discouraged whenever possible: North (N), South (S), East (E), and West (W).

7.07 Road Segments

Each road shall bear the same name and uniform numbering along the entirety of the road. Segments of roads shall not be allowed to have different or separate names. The E-911 Database Supervisor shall determine what constitutes a road or way.

7.08 Offset Intersections and Split Routes

Split routes, also known as "dog-leg" or offset intersections, shall be treated as separate roads with different names and numbering to preserve the integrity and continuity of the numbering system.

7.09 Impasses

Impasses or sections of a road that are impassable shall be assigned different names and numbering to each portion of the road on either side of the impasse to preserve the integrity and continuity of the numbering system.

ARTICLE VIII

Road Name Signs and Standards

8.01 Installation and Maintenance

All public and private road name signs that are outside of municipal jurisdictions and required by the ordinance shall be installed and maintained by the Warren County Maintenance Department. All public and private road name signs required by the ordinance within a municipality's jurisdiction will be maintained by the municipality. Road signs shall be posted within 60 days after the name is approved.

8.02 Sign Standards

Road name signs shall meet the following standards:

- (a) All road name sign blades shall be a minimum six-inch vertical dimension sign with a minimum of four-inch letters.
- (b) Road name signs or "blades" shall be made of a reflective green sheeting with the road name in reflective silver letters on both sides. Sign "blades" shall meet the quality standards of signs produced by the North Carolina Prison Enterprises for governmental agencies. See attachment "B" for Prison Enterprises sign standards. Signs shall be located at the quadrant of an intersection

which provides the best readability to traffic. When named roads also have a NCDOT Secondary Road number, it will also be shown on the sign blade.

- (c) The Warren County Maintenance Department will maintain a database of all road name signs that will include: the date of installation (if known), wording, and other related records.
- (d) Staff of the Sheriffs Office, staff of other County or municipal departments, and emergency response personnel in Warren County will notify the Warren County Maintenance Department when road signs are damaged or down. Citizens should also be encouraged to report road sign problems. The Warren County Maintenance Department will in turn, notify the proper jurisdiction and track the original reporting date, date of notification, and the date repair or installation is complete.

ARTICLE IX Amendments

9.01 General

The Board of County Commissioners may, from time to time, on its own motion or on petition, after public notice and a hearing, as provided by this ordinance, amend, supplement, change, modify, or repeal the addressing regulations and assignments. No action shall be taken until the proposal has been submitted to the Warren County E-911 Advisory Task Force for its recommendation. If no report has been received from the E-911 Advisory Task Force within forty-five (45) days after submission of the proposal to the E-911 Advisory Task Force, the Board of County Commissioners may proceed as though a favorable report has been received.

9.02 Public Notification Requirements

Before adopting or amending this ordinance, the Board of County Commissioners shall conduct a public hearing on the proposal. A notice of the public hearing shall be advertised once a week for two (2) successive calendar weeks in a newspaper having general circulation in the area. The notice shall be published for the first time not less than ten (10) days or more than twenty-five (25) days before the appointed date of the meeting.

9.03 Letter of Notification

Whenever there is a proposal for a change in the addressing system involving any portion of an address, the land owner of that parcel's address as shown on the county tax listing and the land owners of all the parcels of land abutting that parcel of land as shown on the county tax listing, shall be mailed a notice of the proposed change in the addressing system by the E-911 Database Supervisor. The E-911 Database Supervisor shall provide written notification by first class mail to the last address listed of the landowners according to the county tax abstracts. The E-911 Database Supervisor shall provide written notification to the Board of Commissioners attesting to the fulfillment of this task.

9.04 Protests

No protest against any change in, or amendment to, the addressing ordinance, regulations, proposals, or the addressing system, shall be valid or effective unless it is in the form of a written petition. The petition shall bear the names and signatures of the opposing property owners and shall affirm and state the nature of protest to the proposal.

9.05 Application for Amendment

Applications for an amendment to the addressing ordinance shall be filed with the County Board of Commissioners at least ten (10) days prior to the date on which it is to be heard by the Board. Each application shall be signed, be in a duplicated form, and shall contain the following:

- (a) The applicant's name and address in full.
- (b) In the case of a text amendment, it shall set forth the new text to be added and the existing text to be deleted and any other text changes that will have to be made as a result of the effect on the remaining articles, sections, definitions, diagrams or attachments.
- (c) If the proposed amendment will change the Addressing Map a copy of the Addressing Map shall be marked to indicate the impact of the proposed amendment to the existing map and shall be presented with the application for amendment.

All proposed amendments to the addressing ordinance should be submitted to the Board of Commissioners for review and recommendation. A public hearing shall be held by the Board of County Commissioners before the adoption of any proposed amendments to the addressing ordinance. When the Board of County

Commissioners shall have denied any application for the change of a portion or matter of the addressing ordinance, it shall not thereafter accept any other application for the same change involving that portion or matter of the ordinance until the expiration of six (6) months from the date of such previous denial.

Before any action shall be taken on an amendment request, the party or parties proposing or recommending said amendment shall deposit the required fee with the Tax Administrator at the time the petition is filed to cover publication and other miscellaneous cost for said change. Under no condition shall said fee or any part thereof be refunded for failure of said amendment to be adopted. However, in the event an application is withdrawn prior to the time it is ordered advertised for hearing by the Board of Commissioners, three-fourths (3/4) of the fee shall be refunded.

ARTICLE X
Schedule of Fees

10.01 Petition to Change Road Name

Petition to change a road name must include a fee per sign blade to cover cost of replacing signs in addition to a fee to advertise public hearings. If the County Commissioners do not approve the request, only the sign cost will be refunded. See attachment "A" for a listing of applicable fees.

10.02 Sign Replacement Fees

The fee for replacing signs damaged by accident or negligence shall be as defined in the schedule of fees in attachment "A".

ARTICLE XI
Legal Status Provisions

11.01 Improper Address Display

It shall be unlawful for any person to use or display a different address or portion thereof except as provided by this ordinance or the "Official Road Name and Structure Numbering Map, Warren County, North Carolina."

11.02 Improper Road Name Designations

It shall be unlawful for any person to name or designate the name of

any private road, street, drive, cart way, easement, right-of-way, access area or any other thoroughfare, except as provided by this ordinance.

11.03 Improper Road Signs

It shall be unlawful for any person to establish or erect any road sign that does not comply with the standards set forth in this ordinance.

11.04 Damage to Road Signs

It shall be unlawful for any person to intentionally or negligently remove, damage, or somehow obstruct view of any county road name sign. Replacement costs for signs damaged or destroyed by accidents shall be paid by the party charged with the accident. Replacement cost shall be the cost to replace or repair the sign, post, and any incidental items related to the replacement or repair. See Attachment "A" for schedule of fees for sign costs.

ARTICLE XII

Violations and Enforcement

12.01 Posting Structure Numbers

Violation of this ordinance is a misdemeanor as provided by N. C. General Statute 14-4 and may be punished as provided therein.

Civil penalties may be imposed in accordance with the following procedure:

- (a) Initial notification of violation shall be in writing by first class mail return receipt required, to the person to be notified.
- (b) If not corrected within ten days, a warning citation may be issued.
- (c) If not corrected within seven days of issuance of a warning citation, a second citation including a fine may be issued. See Attachment "A" for a listing of fines and fees.
- (d) Each day the violation continues after the second citation with fine is issued, shall constitute a separate violation of this ordinance.

12.02 Notification of Violation

The following actions shall take place:

- (a) Notice of violations will be issued by the E-911 Database Supervisor or his designee.
- (b) The notice of violation shall be directed to the name and address of the owner of the structure or the offending party.
- (c) The notice must set forth the action necessary for the offender to be in compliance with this ordinance.

12.03 Road Name Signs

Violation of Article XI of this ordinance shall be punishable by maximum fines as listed in Attachment "A" of this ordinance. Civil penalties may be imposed in accordance with the procedure identified in sections 12.01 and 12.02.

12.04 Legal Prosecution

Nothing herein contained shall prevent the County of Warren from taking other such lawful actions as is necessary to prevent or remedy any violation.

ARTICLE XIII

Appeals and Requests for Variances

Road naming appeals and appeals for signage variance, shall adhere to the procedures below:

13.01 First Appeal or Request for Variance

- (a) The appeal must be in writing, directed to the Ordinance Administrator.
- (b) The appeal must be dated and describe the reasons for the appeal.
- (c) All appeals shall clearly state that all property owners along said road are aware that any road name sign posting variance may hinder emergency response personnel in their efforts to locate a particular address.
- (d) The appeal must contain the signatures of a minimum of two-thirds of the property owners along said road.

- (e) The Ordinance Administrator shall have 45 days to review the appeal and respond in writing to the petitioners.

13.02 Second Appeal

- (a) Second appeals must be in writing, directed to the Board of Commissioners.
- (b) The appeal must be dated and submitted to the Board of Commissioners a minimum of 10 days prior to the date of the Board meeting.
- (c) The Board of Commissioners shall have 45 days to respond to the appeal or to announce a public hearing on the appeal, if required.

ARTICLE XIV

Definitions of Specific Terms or Words

For the purpose of this ordinance, certain terms or words used herein shall be interpreted as follows or as indicated by United States Postal Regulations and the National Emergency Number Association Definitions. Except as defined herein, all words and terms used in this ordinance shall have their customary dictionary definition.

Avenue (AVE) a road that serves as a major traffic artery.

Boulevard (BLVD) an unusually wide street typically in residential areas; often with central, dividing median.

Circle (CIR) a road that begins and then returns to itself.

Court (CT) a dead end street often ending as a cul-de-sac.

Drive (DR) a curving secondary road.

E-911 An abbreviation for "Enhanced 9-1-1", which is an emergency telephone system that includes sophisticated network switching and database information components capable of providing information to emergency service dispatchers such as automatic name and telephone number identification.

E-911 Database

Supervisor	The person responsible for the daily maintenance of addressing and road name changes. This includes close coordination with the telephone company to ensure listings in the telephone database and the county's database are the same.
Highway	(HWY) a designated state or federal highway.
Interstate	(I-85) a thoroughfare of the highest order and federally designated as an Interstate.
Lane	(LN) a short road that branches off of another road and ends or connects to another secondary road
Loop	(LP) a short road that starts and ends on the same street or road.
Ordinance Administrator	The Warren County Tax Administrator or such other county official as may be designated by the County Commissioners to administer the Addressing and Road Naming Ordinance.
Parkway	(PKWY) a special scenic route or park drive.
Place	(PL) a cul-de-sac or permanent dead end road.
Private Road	Any road which is not maintained by a governmental entity or agency through the use of public funds.
Public Road	Any road which is maintained by a governmental entity or agency through the use of public funds.
Radio Communication Services	Includes any radio communications, transmissions, dispatching or future Enhanced 911 communications that may involve police, emergency, fire, or rescue operations, but are not limited to these aforesaid operations.
Road	(RD) a well-traveled secondary road often connecting with a U.S. or state primary highway.
Street	(ST) a major road that runs generally in a north/south direction.
Street address	A unique identifier for each addressable structure

within the County. The minimum adequate street address shall be defined as the assigned structure number and the officially adopted road name. Where required by this ordinance, the street address shall also include the assigned unit designator.

Structure Any building, whether residential, commercial, industrial, or institutional in nature and use (including mobile homes and mobile home hock-ups); or any public telephone, bridge, overpass, railroad crossing, communications tower, or other significant landmark.

Structure number The numerical portion of the street address, as assigned by the Ordinance Administrator or his designee, in accordance with the Official Road Name and Structure Numbering Map of Warren County, N.C.

Thoroughfare A general all-inclusive term for: roads-public or private, road, street, drive, cart way, easement, right-of-way, or any other word or words that means a way of access.

Trail (TRL) a local road that serves as a connector for larger roads.

Unit designator The portion of the street address used to distinguish individual units within the same structure.

Way (WAY) a minor private road that begins and ends on the same road.

ARTICLE XV
Closing Provisions

15.01 Conflict with Other Laws

All other ordinances or parts of ordinances not specifically in conflict herewith are hereby continued in force and effect, but all such ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. Where the provisions of this ordinance are higher or more restrictive than those imposed by any other applicable law or regulation, such higher or more restrictive provisions shall apply.

15.02 Severability

Should any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase provision of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the ordinance in its entirety or of any part thereof other than that so declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.

ARTICLE XVI
Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its adoption.

Duly adopted by the Board of County Commissioners, Warren County, North Carolina, this the 6th day of November, 2000 .

ATTEST:

Angelena Kearney-Dunlap
Clerk
Commissioners

Harry M. Williams, III – Chairman
Warren County Board of

Amended January 5, 2004

ATTACHMENT "A"

Schedule of Fees

A.01 Petition to Change Road Name (see also Section 10.01)

Petition to change a road name must include a fee of \$50.00 per sign blade to cover cost of replacing signs in addition to \$100.00 to advertise public hearings. On signs where double blades are used, each side will be considered a separate blade. If the County Commissioners do not approve the request, only the sign cost will be refunded.

A.02 Sign Replacement Fees (see also Section 10.02 11.04)

The fee for replacing signs damaged by accident or negligence shall be \$50.00 per sign blade and \$25.00 per signpost. On signs where double blades are used, each side will be considered a separate blade.

A.03 Posting Structure Numbers (see also section 12.01 (c))

If not corrected within seven days of issuance of a warning citation, a second citation including a fine of \$50.00 may be issued.

A.04 Road Name Signs (see also Section 12.03)

Violation of Article XI of this ordinance shall be punishable by maximum fines of up to \$50.00 for each violation.