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AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING OBETZ CODE SECTION 521.15 TO CREATE A PEST MANAGEMENT CONTROL PROGRAM GRANT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, pests spread diseases; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to control the spread of diseases and pests within the community; and,

WHEREAS, the cost to eradicate pests can be costly and such cost may be a deterrent to treating the problem.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF OBETZ, OHIO, THAT:

<u>Section 1:</u> Section 521.15 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Obetz is hereby adopted to read as follows:

## **521.15 PEST MANAGEMENT CONTROL PROGRAM**

- (a) <u>Program Introduction</u>. In order to control the spread of pests, the Village of Obetz has established a pest management control program. The program is designed to assist households negatively affected by pests. The program is designed to limit the spread of pests within the Village in an effort to prevent the spread of disease and maintain property values.
  - (b) Program Guidelines.
    - (1) <u>Pests, Defined</u>. For purposes of this program, pests shall be defined as roaches, bed bugs, mice, rats and any other pests or insects that are causing an infestation as determined by the Village Administrator.
    - (2) <u>Eligible Projects</u>. Property owners whose property has been overrun with pests as determined by the Village Administrator may apply for assistance to have their property treated for pests. Properties overrun with pests as a result of an infestation from a surrounding property are also eligible for treatment assistance provided the infestation has been remedied.
    - (3) <u>Application Required</u>. An application for assistance through the Pest Management Control Program shall be filed with the Village Administrator by the property owner.

- Inspection Required. Prior to receiving a grant from the Village, the (4)property owner will allow the Code Enforcement Officer to inspect the inside and outside of the property. If the property has any existing code violations, those violations must be remedied prior to treating the property for the pests.
- Ineligible Applicants. Assistance will not be issued to any applicant who is (5) in arrears in connection with any municipal, county, or state financial obligation.
- This program is need based. The Village (6)Need Based Program. Administrator shall establish income guidelines for participants. Only property owners who could not otherwise afford treatment will be offered assistance.
- Coordination of Pest Treatment. The Village or its representative will (7)treat the property for the pest(s). The Village or its representative will select the most appropriate treatment and coordinate the treatment with the property owner.
- Award of Assistance. The Village will review the application for completeness. Once a project is selected, the applicant will be notified. There is no guarantee that funds will be available each year. Submittal of an application does not guarantee assistance. The Village Administrator has the sole discretion to deny a request for assistance.

Section 2. This Ordinance is declared an emergency measure, the immediate passage of which is necessary for the preservation of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village of Obetz, such emergency arising from the immediate need to ensure that pests are property controlled; WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage.

Passed this 14 day of Wecember, 2015.

ATTESTS:

Angela Kirk, Council Pres. Pro-Tem

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**APPROVED AS TO FORM** 

Eve M. Ellinger, Law Director

## **CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION**

Stacey Boumis, Clerk

Date