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Home Occupation Guidelines

Sec. 21.146 City of Forest Acres Code of Ordinances

The following guidelines must be met in order for a business license to be issued to an individual who intends to operate a home based business located within a residential district as defined by the City of Forest Acres Code of Ordinances. PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS CAREFULLY. If you cannot meet the following stipulations, or your business violates any part of Sec.21.146, you will be subject to penalties of no more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per day of violation, and the revocation of your City of Forest Acres business license.

Sec. 21.146 Home Occupations

Home Occupations shall meet the following requirements:

- (1) The Occupation, profession, or trade is carried on wholly within the principal building.**
- (2) Not more than twenty (20) percent of the floor area of the principal building is used for the conduct of home occupations.**
- (3) No merchandise or articles are displayed for advertising purposes, nor are displayed in such a way as to be visible from outside the dwelling.**
- (4) No merchandise or articles are stored other than inside the principal building.**
- (5) There is no alteration of the residential character of the building or premises.**
- (6) Only persons residing on the premises may be employed and/or work with the home occupation.**
- (7) No traffic shall be generated by such home occupation in greater volumes than would normally be expected in a residential neighborhood, and any need for parking generated by the conduct of such home occupation shall be met off-street and other than in a required front yard.**

Home Occupation Requirement Statement

I have read the requirements as listed in City of Forest Acres Zoning Ordinance Sec. 21.146 regarding home occupations. I have read and understand that:

My business, occupation or profession or trade is carried on wholly within the principal building. My business shall not occupy more than twenty percent (20%) of the floor area of the principal building. I shall have no merchandise or articles stored other than inside the principal building used for the home occupation. I shall not have any merchandise and/or articles that will be either displayed for advertising purposes or displayed in such a way as to be visible from outside the dwelling. I also affirm that there will be no alteration of the residential character of the building or premises. I also understand that only persons residing on the premises may be employed and/or work with the home occupation. I also affirm that there shall be no traffic generated by my business, trade, profession, or occupation in greater volumes than would be normally be expected in a residential neighborhood, and any need for parking generated by the conduct of such home occupation shall be met off-street and other than in a required front yard.

I further understand that the approval of the business license application does not constitute a privilege to violate any applicable Federal, State of South Carolina or City of Forest Acres Ordinances, codes, or laws.

Signature - Please Print

Date