AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SANITARY HANDLING OF FOOD

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa, State of California, do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1

Definitions: Unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions set forth in this section govern the construction of this ordinance.

a. **Food Establishment**: Shall include any place where food is served, stored or prepared for either wholesale or retail sale which may be used for human consumption.

b. **Itinerant Food Establishment**: Shall include any food establishment as defined above, operating from temporary facilities, and includes any mobile unit on which food is stored, prepared or served.

c. **Food or Beverage**: Shall include all articles used for food, drink, confectionery or condiment, whether simple or compound, and all substances and ingredients used in the preparation thereof for human consumption.

d. **Utensils**: Shall include any kitchenware, tableware, glasses, cutlery, implements, containers or other equipment with which food or beverage comes in contact during storage, display, preparation or serving.

e. **Food Handlers**: Shall include all persons actually involved in food preparation, serving or working in a food establishment.

f. **Health Officer**: Means the Health Officer or his duly authorized representative for the Health Department of the County of Mariposa.

SECTION 2

**Protection of Food**: Ingredients used in the preparation of foods and beverages, and all foods and beverages offered for sale, sold
or served, shall be produced, processed, stored, transported, kept for sale and served so as to be pure, free from adulteration and free from spoilage and shall otherwise be fully fit for human consumption.

SECTION 3

Food Handlers: It shall be unlawful for food handlers to negligently or wilfully contaminate food by failing to obey the concepts of good personal hygiene. After using toilet facilities, all food handlers shall carefully wash their hands with a good detergent before resuming work. Nor shall they fail to obey any order issued, verbally or written, by the health officer in respect to their personal hygiene.

SECTION 4

Toilets and Lavatories: Suitable toilet facilities shall be provided for both sexes on the premises for use by food handlers and or the public served by food establishments. Lavatories with hot and cold running water, detergent, and single service towels, shall be located in or adjacent to toilet facilities. Where alcoholic beverages establishments maintain the "no food type permit" then hot running water at lavatories may not be required.

SECTION 5

Utensils: All utensils shall be maintained and handled in a sanitary manner. The use of drying cloths is prohibited, with the exception that single service disposable, towels may be used for glassware.

SECTION 6

Floors and Walls: All floors and walls subject to food spillage or frequent wetting in food establishments shall be of a smooth, durable, easily cleaned material.

SECTION 7

Back Splashing: Where walls are subject to frequent splashing adjacent to food preparation areas a suitable back splashing material shall be provided.

SECTION 8
Ventilation: At or above all cooking equipment, such as ranges, griddles, ovens, deep-fry fryers, barbecues and rotisseries, there shall be provided mechanical exhaust ventilation equipment as required, to effectively remove cooking odors, smoke, steam, grease and vapors. Such installations shall be constructed so as to be easily cleaned.

SECTION 9

Storage Areas: New food establishments, after the effective date of this ordinance, shall provide adequate storage areas for foods. All food establishments shall provide suitable water-proof containers for all bulk storage, when stored in an area subject to flooding of any nature.

SECTION 10

Applicability: Sections one (1) through ten (10) inclusive, shall apply to both food establishments and itinerant food establishments.

SECTION 11

Enforcement: It shall be the duty of the health officer to enforce any or all portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 12

Penalty: Any person, firm, or corporation found to be in violation or causing or permitting violation of the provisions of this ordinance, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars ($25.00), nor more than five hundred dollars ($500.00), or by imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 13

Constitutionality: If any portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and every portion thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more portions be
declared unconstitutional.

SECTION 14

Adoption: This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days after passage and adoption by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa, State of California.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa, State of California, this 10th day of November, 1959, by the following vote:

AYES: McGregor, Ellis, McCay, Miller, Conrad.

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

[Signature]

Eugene McGregor, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa, State of California

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Gabrielle Wilson, County Clerk and Clerk of the Board