AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FRISCO, TEXAS, REPEALING ORDINANCE NOS. 96-11-02, 03-03-19, AND 05-07-54; REGULATING SOLICITATION, HANDBILL DISTRIBUTION AND TICKET SCALPING; ESTABLISHING DEFINITIONS; PROTECTING CHILD SOLICITORS; ESTABLISHING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR DENIAL, SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF PERMITS AND APPEALS THEREFROM; REGULATING USE OF CITY RIGHT-OF-WAY; PROVIDING DEFENSES TO VIOLATIONS; REGULATING JOB PLACEMENT ACTIVITIES; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALING AND SAVING CLAUSES; PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS CAPTION HEREOF AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Frisco, Texas, (the "City Council") finds that it will be advantageous, beneficial and in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Frisco, Texas ("Frisco") to repeal Frisco Ordinance Nos. 96-11-02, 03-03-19, and 05-07-54 as set forth below;

WHEREAS, the City Council has investigated and determined that it will be advantageous, beneficial and in the best interest of the citizens of Frisco to prevent potential traffic hazards resulting from unauthorized use of the public right-of-way and city property;

WHEREAS, the City Council has investigated and determined that it will be advantageous, beneficial and in the best interest of the citizens of Frisco to avoid loitering and keep the right-of-way clear from unauthorized activity to prevent citizens from feeling threatened or being distracted by persons located outside their vehicle while driving as a means of crime prevention and to prevent accidents:

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is dangerous and hazardous to distract the driver of a motor vehicle from focusing on safely controlling the motor vehicle and that such dangers and hazards are dramatically increased if a solicitation occurs while a motor vehicle is stopped in compliance with a traffic control device and the driver is forced to proceed with driving when a light turns green, etc., and the driver has received change back from the solicitor which needs to be returned to a wallet or pocket and the driver has not had the opportunity to return his or her wallet to a handbag or pocket, etc. and that similar situations are also dangerous;

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is dangerous, hazardous and life-threatening for a person to solicit funds or distribute commercial handbills or noncommercial handbills within any public street, street right-of-way, median, traffic island, parkway, or other public right-of-way within the City of Frisco when the person is focused on attracting the attention of another person in a motor vehicle and thus distracted from paying attention to the total circumstances around the person and the movement of vehicles other than the vehicles whose occupants he or she is attempting to attract the attention of or communicate with and that the public sidewalks designed for pedestrian use are available for such activities in accordance with this Ordinance;

WHEREAS, the City Council has investigated and determined that it will be advantageous, beneficial and in the best interest of the citizens of Frisco to avoid loitering and unwanted solicitation or visitors on private property to prevent citizens from feeling threatened while on private property and as a means of crime prevention;

WHEREAS, the City Council has investigated and determined that it will be advantageous, beneficial and in the best interest of the citizens of Frisco to prevent littering by requiring unattended printed materials to be securely affixed to an object to prevent the wind from blowing it loose;

WHEREAS, the City Council has investigated and determined that it will be advantageous, beneficial and in the best interest of the citizens of Frisco to avoid certain obstructions in the right-of-way that may interfere with emergency services;

WHEREAS, the City Council has investigated and determined that it will be advantageous, beneficial and in the best interest of the citizens of Frisco to insure a noncommercial atmosphere in residential areas;

WHEREAS, there are many locations throughout Frisco that are zoned for commercial activity or are a public forum for expression;

WHEREAS, the City Council has investigated and determined that it will be advantageous, beneficial and in the best interest of the citizens of Frisco to create appropriate and orderly commercial and residential atmospheres;

WHEREAS, the City Council has investigated and determined that it will be advantageous, beneficial and in the best interest of the citizens of Frisco to maintain the privacy of the home and limit what an occupant must be unwillingly exposed to relative to the enjoyment of the investment made in the home;

WHEREAS, the City Council has investigated and determined that it will be advantageous, beneficial and in the best interest of the citizens of Frisco to enhance property values and psychological well-being for individuals and families; and

WHEREAS, Frisco has complied with all notices and public hearings as required by law.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRISCO, TEXAS:

<u>SECTION 1</u>: <u>Findings Incorporated</u>. The findings set forth above are incorporated into the body of this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2: Ordinance Nos. 96-11-02, 03-03-19, and 05-07-54 Repealed. Frisco Ordinance Nos. 96-11-02, 03-03-19, and 05-07-54 are repealed in their entirety and replaced by this Ordinance for the purpose of consolidating and updating the rules and regulations relating to solicitation, the distribution of commercial and noncommercial handbills and ticket scalping. The effective date of the repeal discussed in this Section shall not occur until the effective date of this Ordinance at which time Ordinance Nos. 96-11-02, 03-03-19, and 05-07-54 shall be repealed. Such

repeal shall not abate any pending prosecution and/or lawsuit or prevent any prosecution and/or lawsuit from being commenced for any violation of Ordinance Nos. 96-11-02, 03-03-19, or 05-07-54 occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance. Any permit issued pursuant to Ordinance Nos. 96-11-02, 03-03-19, or 05-07-54 shall remain effective, but shall be governed by, and expire in accordance with, this Ordinance.

SECTION 3: General. This Ordinance regulates the time, place and manner for the solicitation of funds and the distribution of handbills. The provisions of this Ordinance, however, shall not apply to:

- A. the regular delivery of newspapers, magazines, or other items which have been subscribed to by the persons receiving them or by occupants of the premises to which they are delivered;
- B. the interruption of service notices by utility companies;
- C. the distribution of mail by the United Sates government;
- D. the service of any lien foreclosure; or
- E. governmental notices of any character distributed by the City of Frisco or any other governmental entity.

SECTION 4: Definitions.

- The following words and phrases, when used in this Ordinance, shall have the A. meaning ascribed to them by this Section:
 - Business day means any calendar day except Saturday, Sunday or any state or 1. national holiday.
 - Charitable purpose shall mean philanthropic, religious or other nonprofit 2. objectives, including the benefit of poor, needy, sick, refugee or handicapped persons; the benefit of any church or religious society, sect, group or order; the benefit of a patriotic or veterans' association or organization; the benefit of any fraternal, social or civil organization, or the benefit of any educational institution. "Charitable purpose" shall not be construed to include the direct benefit of the individual making the solicitation. "Charitable purpose" shall not be construed to include the benefit of any political group or political organization which is subject to financial disclosure under state or federal law.
 - Consumer means an individual who seeks or acquires real or personal 3. property, services, money, or credit for personal, family or household purposes.

- Consumer transaction means a sales transaction in which one (1) or more of 4. the parties is a consumer.
- Deposit or Depositing a Handbill means to place, distribute, handout, or 5. circulate any type of handbill.
- Handbill, Commercial means and includes any printed or written matter, any 6. sample or devise, dodger, circular, leaflet, pamphlet, paper, booklet, or any other printed or otherwise reproduced original copies of any matter or literature, which:
 - advertises for sale any merchandise, product, commodity, a. service, or thing;
 - directs attention to any business, mercantile, commercial b. establishment, or other activity for the purpose of either directly or indirectly promoting the interest thereof;
 - directs attention or advertises any meeting, theatrical c. performance, exhibition, group, fundraiser, or other event whether the purpose of directing attention and advertising is for private gain or for raising funds for a charitable purpose; or
 - contains information that is of a noncommercial nature, but d. remains predominantly and essentially an advertisement, and is distributed or circulated for advertisement purposes, for private gain, or for raising funds for a charitable purpose.
- Handbill, Noncommercial means and includes any printed or written matter, 7. any sample or devise, dodger, circular, leaflet, pamphlet, paper, booklet, or any other printed or otherwise reproduced original copies of any matter or literature, pertaining to any speech not included in the definition of commercial handbill. Noncommercial handbills include, but are not limited to, handbills containing exclusively political and religious speech.
- Handbill distributor means and includes any person engaging or engaged in 8. the business for hire or gain of distributing commercial handbills, other than newspapers distributed to subscribers thereof, and any person receiving compensation directly or indirectly for the distribution of such commercial handbills.
- Handbill sponsor means and includes the person, firm, or corporation who is 9. utilizing commercial handbills as a medium of advertising or spreading a message.

- Home solicitation transaction means: (i) a consumer transaction for the 10. purchase of goods, services, or realty, payable in installments or in cash, in which the merchant engages in a personal solicitation of the sale to the consumer at a residence in person and the consumer's agreement of offer to purchase is given at the residence to the merchant; or (ii) any request for funds made by a person soliciting to the occupant of a residence at a place of residence and the solicitor is unknown to the occupant or owner of the residence at which the request for funds is made. A home solicitation transaction shall not include a sale made pursuant to a preexisting revolving charge account or retail charge agreement, or a sale made pursuant to prior negotiations between the parties at a business establishment at a fixed location where goods or services are offered or exhibited for sale; or a sale where the consumer initiated a request for an appointment for the merchant to send a representative to his or her residence; or a sale of realty in which transaction the purchaser is represented by a licensed attorney or in which the transaction is being negotiated by a licensed real estate broker.
- 11. *Individual or person* shall mean an individual, a person, a group of two (2) or more individuals, a proprietorship, a partnership, a corporation, a limited liability company, an association, or other legal entity.
- 12. Job placement activities means any request, offer, enticement, or action which announces the availability for or of employment or seeks to secure employment. As defined herein, "job placement activities" shall be deemed complete when made whether or not an actual employment relationship is created.
- 13. *Merchant* means a party to a consumer transaction other than a consumer.
- 14. Residence means any living unit, occupied for residential purposes by one (1) or more persons, contained within any type of building or structure.
- Solicit funds or solicitation of funds or solicitation shall mean any home solicitation transaction; any request for the donation of money, property, or anything of value, or the pledge of a future donation of money, property, or anything of value; or the selling, or offering for sale, or the purchasing, or offering to purchase, of any property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, whether of value or not, including, but not limited to, goods, books, pamphlets, tickets, publications or subscriptions to publications, or taking or attempting to take orders for the future deliver of goods, merchandise, wares, services, or personal property. A solicitation of funds is complete when the solicitation is communicated to any individual then located within the corporate limit of the City. Expressly excluded from the meaning of "solicit funds" or "solicitation of funds" or "solicitation" is any offers of membership in any organization.

B. All terminology used in this Ordinance and not specifically defined above, shall retain its meaning in conformance with the latest volume of Webster's Collegiate Dictionary.

SECTION 5: Permits Required for Solicitation and Commercial handbill Distribution.

- A. Except as otherwise provided, a permit is required for an individual to personally, or through an agent or employee:
 - 1. Solicit funds; or
 - 2. Distribute any commercial handbill in or upon another's property.
 - B. A permit is not required for:
 - 1. The distribution of noncommercial handbills;
 - 2. The solicitation of funds for charitable purposes by any organization or association from its members;
 - 3. The solicitation of funds for charitable purposes by a person when such solicitation occurs on premises owned or controlled by the person soliciting funds or with the permission of the person who owns or controls the premises, when previously invited to the premises for the solicitation;
 - 4. The solicitation or distribution of commercial or noncommercial handbills on a public sidewalk designed for pedestrian use; or
 - 5. The issuance of any announcement or advertisement that charitable solicitation will occur or which announces or advertises an event at which unannounced charitable solicitation will occur.

SECTION 6: Application for Permit.

- A. Permit applications must be submitted in writing to the Frisco Police Department, and shall include the following:
 - 1. The name of the person applying, their residence and business addresses and their residence and business telephone numbers.
 - 2. If different from the person applying, the name of the handbill sponsor if the permit is for the purpose of distributing commercial handbills and the name of the merchant if the permit is for the purpose of solicitation.
 - 3. In regards to any handbill sponsor and/or merchant, the following:
 - a. If a natural person, the business and residence addresses and telephone numbers.

- b. If a partnership: (i) the names of all partners; (ii) the name, principal business address; (iii) telephone number of the partnership and the agent for service of process; and (iv) the state of formation.
- c. If a corporation or limited liability company, the person applying must state: (i) the mailing address and telephone number of the principal place of business and the registered agent; (ii) the mailing address, business location, telephone number and name of the individual in charge of the local office of such entity, if any; (iii) the names of all officers and directors or trustees of such corporation, or of all members (if member managed), managers and officers of such limited liability company; and (iv) the state of incorporation or formation.
- d. If an association or any other entity, the person applying must state:

 (i) the mailing address and telephone number of the principal place of business and the agent for process of service; (ii) the names of all members/owners of the association unless they exceed ten (10) in number, in which case the application shall so state and the person registering may alternatively list the names and business addresses and telephone numbers of the officers and directors or trustees of the association; and (iii) if the association is part of a multi-state organization or association, the mailing address and business location of its central office shall be given, in addition to the mailing address and business location of its local office.
- e. The Frisco Police Department may request satisfactory documentation of an individual's authority to represent the partnership, corporation, association or business entity.
- 4. In addition to all of the other permit application requirements in this section, if the application is for a child of thirteen (13) years of age or younger, the following information must also be attached to the application:
 - a. a copy of the parental consent form required by Section 51.0145 of the Texas Labor Code, as it exists or may be amended;
 - documentation showing that the Texas Employment Commission has granted a hardship exemption if required under Chapter 51 of the Texas Labor Code; and
 - c. the name, address and telephone number of all persons who will be responsible for supervising the child pursuant to Section 51.0145 of the Texas Labor Code, as it exists or may be amended.

- 5. The names, mailing address, and telephone number of all individuals who will be in direct charge or control of the solicitation of funds or distribution of commercial handbills and responsible for ensuring compliance with this Ordinance.
- 6. The time period within which the solicitation of funds or distribution of commercial handbills is to be made, giving the date of the beginning of solicitation or distribution, and its concluding date.
- 7. A description of the methods and means by which the solicitation of funds or distribution of commercial handbills is to be accomplished.
- 8. The names of other communities in which the applicant has solicited funds or distributed commercial handbills in the past six (6) months.
- 9. The nature of merchandise to be sold or offered for sale or the nature of the services to be furnished.
- 10. Whether such applicant, upon any such order so obtained, will demand, accept, or receive payment or deposit of money in advance of final delivery.
- 11. A statement to the effect that if a permit is granted, such permit will not be used or represented to be an endorsement or approval by the City or any of its officers or employees.
- 12. Any other information which Frisco deems necessary for the administration of this Ordinance.
- B. Each applicant shall appear in person and provide proof of identification through submission of a valid driver's license or other valid, official photo identification deemed acceptable by the Frisco Police Department.
- C. The application must be accompanied by a copy of a valid states sales tax certificate, if applicable.
- D. Information provided by the applicant in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be subject to verification by the Frisco Police Department.
- E. All applications, whether or not a permit is issued, shall be considered public record and shall be available for inspection by members of the public during regular business hours and copies may be obtained at cost in accordance with the Texas Public Information Act. Redactions of personal identification numbers may be required under state law.

SECTION 7: Permit Fee & Exemptions.

A. Except as otherwise provided, every application shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) to compensate the City for the cost of

administering this Ordinance, and such fee will not be refunded if a permit is not issued. No permit provided for by this Ordinance shall be issued until such fee has been paid by the applicant, unless an exemption applies.

- B. The following applicants are not required to pay a permit fee:
 - 1. Commercial travelers who sell or exhibit for sale goods, wares or merchandise to persons selling and dealing in the same within the City.
 - 2. Persons selling agricultural products, meats, poultry, or other articles of food grown or produced by such persons.
 - 3. Individuals operating under licenses granted by a state agency.
 - 4. A duly authorized, nonprofit, "charitable organization", as defined in Section 84.003(1) of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, as it exists or may be amended, and registered as such with the Secretary of State for the State of Texas or the Internal Revenue Service, seeking to use such permit for charitable purposes only. Proof of such registration status must be provided to the City upon application.

SECTION 8: Permit Issuance, Denial, Duration, and Form.

- A. When an application is filed with the Frisco Police Department, the Frisco Police Department shall review the application.
- B. The Frisco Police Department shall approve the application and issue the permit unless:
 - 1. the application fails to comply with a provision of this Ordinance;
 - 2. a previous permit issued under this Ordinance was revoked within the past twelve months;
 - 3. the Frisco Police Department determines that the applicant has been convicted of a felony;
 - 4. the Frisco Police Department determines that the applicant has furnished false information or identification;
 - 5. the applicant has a warrant out for their arrest; or
 - 6. a court of law has issued an emergency protective order against the applicant.
- E. The Frisco Police Department shall notify the applicant of their decision to approve or deny a permit application within ten (10) business days of the receipt of the application. Notification of the decision shall be given in writing and either sent via U.S. mail to the applicant's address as listed on the permit application or delivered to the applicant in person.

- F. If the application was turned in as incomplete, the Frisco Police Department shall not grant or deny the application but shall return the application with an explanation of what additional information/documentation is needed to process the application. The incomplete application and explanation shall be sent within ten (10) business days of the receipt of the application to the applicant's address as listed on the permit application or it shall be delivered to the applicant in person.
- G. A permit requested under this Section shall be issued for the length of time requested, not to exceed six (6) months.
- H. The City shall prescribe the form of the permit. The permit may contain a photo of the applicant. The following shall be printed prominently on each permit: "The issuance of this permit is not an endorsement by the City of Frisco or any of its officers or employees." Each permit shall bear a permit number that corresponds with the City's files containing the application filed by the applicant.

<u>SECTION 9</u>: Permit Suspension or Revocation.

- A. If a permit holder fails to comply with this Ordinance, the Frisco Police Department will take the following action:
 - 1. For a first offense under this Ordinance, any permit issued hereunder to the offender shall be suspended for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days. The Chief of Police, or his/her designee, shall determine the number of days of the suspension.
 - 2. For a second offense under this Ordinance within a twelve (12) month period, any permit issued hereunder to the offender shall be revoked, and such offender shall not be eligible to apply for another permit for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of revocation.
- B. If a permit holder is arrested and charged with a felony, the permit shall be suspended until final disposition of the criminal charges.
 - 1. Upon conviction or acceptance of deferred adjudication by the court, the permit shall be revoked.
 - If the permit holder is found innocent or the charges are dismissed, the 2. suspension of the permit shall be lifted.
- C. Upon suspension or revocation the permit holder shall tender the permit to the Frisco Police Department until completion of the suspension or successful appeal of the suspension or revocation.

SECTION 10: Appeal from Denial, Suspension or Revocation. Should an applicant be denied a permit or have a permit suspended or revoked, he/she may appeal that action to the City

manager by submitting a letter within ten (10) business days of the denial, suspension or revocation. The City Manager, or his/her designee, shall review the appeal at a staff level and make a determination within ten (10) business days of receiving the appeal request and shall have the authority to uphold or reject the action complained of and order that the permit be granted or reinstated. However, should the City Manager uphold the denial, suspension or revocation, he/she shall schedule a hearing before the City Council at a regular or special meeting within thirty (30) days of the denial, unless the applicant withdraws the appeal in writing. Such hearing shall be an administrative hearing, and adherence to formal rules of evidence shall not be required. The decision of the City Council may be appealed as allowed by law to any court with jurisdiction.

SECTION 11: Solicitor's and Handbill Distributor's Identification. Each solicitor and handbill distributor shall carry with him/her and produce upon the request of any citizen, city employee, or city official, the following information and identification:

- 1. The permit issued by the City of Frisco pursuant to this Article;
- 2. A copy of the valid state sales tax certificate, if applicable; and
- 3. A valid driver's license or other valid, official photo identification.

SECTION 12: Solicitation and Distribution.

- A. Except as otherwise prohibited, the distribution of any handbill, including noncommercial and commercial handbills may only be distributed by:
- 1. handing the noncommercial handbill or commercial handbill directly to the owner, occupant, or any other person then present in or upon such premises; or
- 2. depositing the noncommercial handbill or commercial handbill in a secure manner to prevent such handbill from being blown or drifting about the premises, except that mailboxes may not be used when prohibited by federal postal laws or regulations.
 - B. An individual, directly or through an agent or employee, may not:
- 1. throw, cast or scatter any commercial handbill or noncommercial handbill, or leave any commercial handbill or noncommercial handbill unattended that is not securely affixed to the place of deposit.
- 2. solicit funds or distribute commercial or noncommercial handbills at a place of residence during the following hours unless invited to do so by the occupant or owner of the residence:

Monday- Friday:

Before 9:00 a.m.

After 7:00 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday: Before 10:00 a.m.

After 5:00 p.m.

- 3. solicit funds or distribute commercial handbills after the revocation or expiration of any permit issued or during the suspension of any permit issued, as hereinafter provided.
- 4. solicit funds or distribute commercial handbills for a purpose other than what was represented in the application upon which the permit was issued.
- 5. represent that the issuance of a permit by the City constitutes an endorsement or approval of the solicitation or distribution by the City or its officers or employees.
- 6. distribute any commercial handbill or noncommercial handbill in or up on any premises which are temporarily or continuously uninhabited or vacant.
- 7. distribute any commercial handbill or noncommercial handbill upon any premises if requested not to do so by the owner, occupant, or any other person then present in or upon such premises, or if there is placed on such premises in a conspicuous place upon or near the main entrance to the residence or premises, a card as provided in Section 12 (Exhibiting Card Prohibiting Solicitation and Handbills of any Type).
- 8. distribute any commercial or noncommercial handbill in any place, under any circumstances, which does not have printed on the cover, front or back thereof, the name, address and telephone number of the handbill sponsor who caused the same to be distributed; provided, however, that in the case of a fictitious person or club, in addition to such fictitious name, the true names and addresses of the owners, managers, or agents for the fictitious person or club sponsoring such commercial handbill shall also appear thereon.
- 9. employ, hire, request, direct or cause, directly or indirectly, another person who does not have a permit to distribute commercial handbills or solicit funds within the City.
- 10. distribute commercial handbills or solicit funds under the direction of another and not have a supervisor who can arrive at the location where the person is distributing the handbills or soliciting within ten (10) minutes of being requested to appear, by the police or otherwise.
- 11. direct someone else to distribute commercial handbills or solicit funds and not provide a supervisor who can arrive at the location where the person is distributing the handbills or soliciting within ten (10) minutes of being requested to appear, by the police or otherwise.
- 12. allow a person to use a permit issued in another person's name or to use a permit issued in another person's name.

SECTION 13: Use of Public Right-of-Way.

A. <u>Solicitation of Persons in Vehicles</u>. Except as permitted by state law, it shall be unlawful for any person to peddle, sell, offer, or exhibit for sale any merchandise or service, whether for profit, for a charitable purpose or otherwise to any person in a motor vehicle, truck, motorcycle or

other vehicle (collectively hereinafter "Vehicle") while the Vehicle is located within a public right-of-way.

- B. <u>Solicitation in Public Right-of-way</u>. Except as permitted by state law, it shall be unlawful for any person to solicit funds, donations, contributions, employment, business or a ride, whether for profit, for a charitable purpose or otherwise, upon any public street, street right-of-way, median, traffic island, parkway, or other public right-of-way, excluding sidewalks designed for pedestrian use, within the City of Frisco.
- C. <u>Acknowledgement of State Law</u>. Frisco acknowledges that the Texas Legislature has adopted §552.0071 of the Texas Transportation Code, which became effective on May 3, 2005.
- D. <u>Selling or Attempting to Sell on Sidewalk/Right-of-way</u>. It shall be unlawful for any person to peddle, sell, offer, or exhibit for sale any merchandise or service, whether for profit, for a charitable purpose or otherwise on a public sidewalk or road without previous permission granted by the City Manager, or his designee.

SECTION 14: Exhibiting Card Prohibiting Solicitation and Handbills of Any Type.

- A. A person desiring that no merchant or other person engage in solicitation, a home solicitation transaction, or distribution of commercial handbills, noncommercial handbills at his/her premises shall exhibit, in a conspicuous place upon or near the main entrance to the premises (including but not limited to entrances to: an apartment unit, building or complex; a single- or multifamily residential structure; private sidewalks; a development with private streets; or areas maintained by a property owner's association) a weatherproof card, not less than three (3) inches by four (4) inches in size bearing the words, "no advertisements", "no solicitation", or "no handbills", to indicate that the occupants of such premises do not desire to be molested or to have their right of privacy disturbed, or to have a handbill of any type left upon the premises. The letters on such cards shall be not less than two-thirds (2/3rds) of an inch in height.
- B. Every person upon going onto any premises shall first examine the premises to determine if any notice prohibiting soliciting or distribution of commercial handbill or noncommercial handbill distribution is exhibited upon or near the main entrance to the premises. If notice prohibiting solicitation or commercial handbill or noncommercial handbill distribution is exhibited, the person shall immediately depart from the premises without distributing, placing, or depositing any type of handbill or disturbing the occupant, unless the visit is the result of a request made by the occupant.
- C. No person shall go upon any premises and ring the doorbell, or rap or knock upon the door or create any sound in a manner calculated to attract the attention of the occupant of the premises, for the purpose of securing an audience with the occupant and engaging in or attempting to engage in a solicitation or distribution transaction, if a card, as described in this Section, is exhibited in compliance with this Section, unless the visit is the result of a request made by the occupant.
- D. No person, other than the owner or occupant of the premises, shall remove, deface, or render illegible, a card placed by the occupant pursuant to this Section.

E. Any merchant or person who has gained entrance to a premises, or audience with the occupant, whether invited or not, shall immediately depart from the premises without disturbing the occupant further when requested to leave by the occupant.

SECTION 15: Prohibition of Job Placement Activities in Unauthorized Locations.

- A. No person shall engage in or attempt to engage in job placement activities in an unauthorized location. This Section shall not apply to job placement activities concerning employment or business for the owner or lawful tenants of the subject premises.
- B. For purposes of this Section, an unauthorized location is any premises or place where the occupant or owner has a notice posted, in both English and Spanish in a conspicuous place at each street entrance and exit to such location not less than eighteen (18) by twenty-four (24) inches in size with lettering not less than one (1) inch in height and not to exceed, in total area, six (6) square feet, containing a message in substantially the following form:

"It is unlawful to engage in job placement activities on these premises."

C. This Section 15 shall override other Ordinances, excluding safety, structural integrity and traffic visibility requirements, regulating the placement of signage, temporary or permanent, for the purpose of solicitation or job placement in and throughout the City of Frisco.

SECTION 16: Ticket Scalping Prohibited.

- A. <u>Definitions</u>: For the purposes of this Section 19, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:
 - 1. *City property* means any property that is owned or used by the City of Frisco, including but not limited to, parks, grounds or buildings.
 - 2. *City right-of-way* means any public alley, sidewalk, street, street right-of-way, median, traffic island, parkway, or other public right-of-way within the City of Frisco.
 - 3. Event means an event or happening of public entertainment or amusement.
 - 4. Event sponsor means an owner, lessee, operator, promoter or manager of an event or the site of an event.
 - 5. Resell means to sell a ticket for an event after it has been acquired from the event sponsor or from an individual, entity or association authorized to sell the ticket by the event sponsor.

B. Prohibited Activities.

- 1. Except as otherwise provided, it shall be unlawful for any person to resell or offer to resell a ticket to an event in any city right-of-way.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided, it shall be unlawful for any person to resell or offer to resell a ticket to an event for a price in excess of the price authorized to be offered to the general public by the event sponsor on: (a) any City property; (b) on any property owned, leased or managed by the event sponsor; or (c) the area within the boundaries of State Highway 121, Preston Road (State Highway 289), Warren Parkway and Legacy Drive; or (d) the area within the boundaries of Lebanon Road, Preston Road (State Highway 289), Eldorado Parkway and Legacy Drive.
- 3. A person may resell or offer to resell a ticket to an event if that person does so on private property and so long as that private property is not owned or leased by the event sponsor.

SECTION 17: Penalty. Any owner, person, firm, corporation or business entity violating this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined a sum not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). Each continuing day's violation under this Ordinance shall constitute a separate offense. The penal provisions imposed under this Ordinance shall not preclude Frisco from filing suit to enjoin the violation. Frisco retains all legal rights and remedies available to it pursuant to local, state and federal law.

SECTION 18: Severability Clause. Should any article, section, subsection, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is expressly provided that any and all remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. The City of Frisco hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance, and each article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one of or more article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

SECTION 19: Repealing/Savings Clauses. All provisions of any ordinance in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent they are in conflict; but such repeal shall not abate any pending prosecution for violation of the repealed ordinance, nor shall the repeal prevent a prosecution from being commenced for any violation if occurring prior to the repeal of the ordinance. Any remaining portions of said ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 20: Injunctive Relief. In addition to and accumulative of all other penalties, Frisco shall have the right to seek injunctive relief for any and all violations of this Ordinance.

SECTION 21: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective from and after its adoption and publication as required by the City Charter and by law.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRISCO, TEXAS on this /St/day of 2008. MAHER MASO, Mayor ATTESTED TO AND CORRECTLY RECORDED BY: APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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