

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE
REGISTRATION AND REGULATION OF CANVASSERS

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Plainfield, Indiana, that:

Section 1. Registration required. It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in canvassing within the corporate limits of the Town of Plainfield without being registered for that purpose as herein provided.

Section 2. Definitions. (a) "Canvassing" shall mean any act of a person going from house to house, door to door or business to business for any purpose including, but not limited to, the conducting of a survey, the dissemination of information either orally or with written materials, the distribution of any written materials, objects or products and any act of solicitation including solicitation of information.

(b) "Canvasser" shall mean any person, whether acting on their own or on behalf of another person, corporation or other entity who engages in canvassing as herein defined.

Section 3. Exceptions. The provisions of this Ordinance shall not apply to the following persons:

(a) Officers or employees of the Town of Plainfield, an Indiana county, the State of Indiana or the federal government, or any subdivision thereof, when on official business.

(b) Legitimate candidates for national, state and local public officer and their authorized individuals working for such candidates when such candidates or their authorized agents are engaged in an election campaign for public office.

(c) Authorized individuals soliciting donations, contributions or memberships to recognized charitable and religious organizations.

(d) Authorized individuals soliciting donations, contributions or memberships for recognized service and fraternal organizations that have an organized chapter or body located within the Town of Plainfield or within Guilford Township, State of Indiana.

Section 4. Regulation. Before any person shall engage in an act of canvassing he or she shall register with the Clerk of the Town of Plainfield and shall give his complete identification, his signature, the name of his employer, the nature and purpose of his canvassing, the name or names of the organization or entity for which he is soliciting, the make, model, color and license plate number of any vehicle being used during his canvassing, the purpose of his canvassing and the proposed method of operation in the Town of Plainfield.

Section 5. Fee. Each registrant shall pay to the Clerk of the Town of Plainfield a registration fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) to cover the process cost of the registration.

Section 6. A valid registration. Upon proper registration pursuant to this Ordinance and the payment of the fee by the registrant, said registration shall be valid for said person for a period of thirty (30) days commencing on the date that the fee is paid for such registration to the Clerk of the Town of Plainfield.

Section 7. Regulations. The following regulations shall govern the conduct of registrants hereunder:

(1) It shall be unlawful for any canvasser to call at any dwelling, business or other place before 8:00 a.m. and after thirty (30) minutes before sunset, except by appointment.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any canvasser to remain on any premises after being asked to leave by the owner, occupant or other person having authority over such premises.

(3) It shall be unlawful for any canvasser to misrepresent or make false, deceptive or misleading statements while engaged in canvassing, the purpose of his visit, his identity or the identity of the organization he represents.

(4) It shall be unlawful for any canvasser to impede the free use of sidewalks and streets by pedestrians and vehicles.

(5) It shall be unlawful for any canvasser to allow any written materials or other rubbish or litter to be dropped,

thrown or left on the sidewalks, streets, yards, vehicles, parks, residences or businesses within the corporate limits of the Town of Plainfield.

Section 8. Revocation. Any such registration pursuant to this Ordinance may be revoked by the Chief of Police of the Town of Plainfield because of any violation by the registrant of this Ordinance or of any other ordinance of the Town of Plainfield, or of any state or federal law, and upon revocation of the registration of any canvasser any further act of canvassing by such person shall result in a violation of this Ordinance and the application of the appropriate penalties therefor.

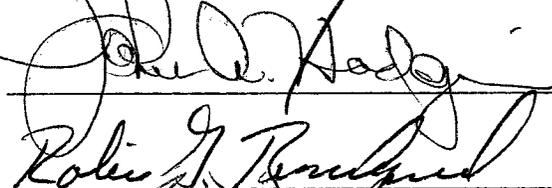
Section 9. Penalty. Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this Ordinance shall be fined not less than Five Dollars (\$5.00) nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each offense; and a separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.

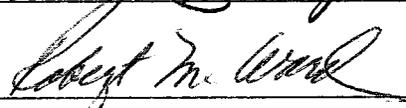
Section 10. In addition to the penalty provided for in the preceding section, any act of any person, firm or corporation violating any provisions of this ordinance is hereby declared to be a nuisance and all remedies applicable to a nuisance, both public and private, including, but not limited to injunction and damages, are hereby preserved.

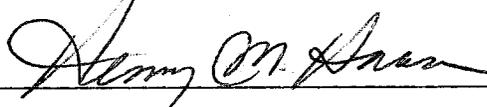
Section 11. Effective date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption, approval of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Plainfield, and publication as required by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Plainfield, Indiana, on this 25th day of February, 1985.









ATTEST:


Clerk-Treasurer