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**Ordinance 2017-01**

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LEE, FLORIDA, IMPOSING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE ESTABLISHMENT, SITING, CONSTRUCTION, OPENING, OPERATION AND/OR CONTINUED OPERATION OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSING FACILITIES (REFERRED TO IN THIS ORDINANCE AS "QUALIFIED BUSINESSES") AND ALL OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE TOWN HAVING THE EFFECT OF PERMITTING OR ALLOWING THE SAME; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FINDINGS SUPPORTING THE ADOPTION OF THIS ORDINANCE; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE PREPARATION OF A STUDY OR STUDIES REGARDING QUALIFIED BUSINESSES AND THE SUBMITTAL OF RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE PROHIBITION OR REGULATION THEREOF; PROVIDING NOTICE TO ALL AFFECTED PERSONS THAT THE TOWN IS IN THE PROCESS OF IMPLEMENTING REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO QUALIFIED BUSINESSES; PROVIDING FOR THE TIME PERIOD THE TEMPORARY MORATORIUM SHALL BE IN EFFECT AND FOR EXTENSION THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR AN EXCEPTION TO THE TEMPORARY MORATORIUM FOR EXISTING QUALIFIED BUSINESSES; PROVIDING A PROCEDURE FOR GRANTING EXCEPTIONS TO THE TEMPORARY MORATORIUM DUE TO EXTRAORDINARY HARDSHIP, AND FOR AN APPLICATION, FEE, NOTICE, PUBLIC HEARING, CRITERIA AND FACTORS THEREFOR; REQUIRING APPLICANTS FOR PERMITS TO DISCLOSE IF THEY INTEND TO ESTABLISH A QUALIFIED BUSINESS IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH APPLICATION; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR NO CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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