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May 11, 2015

Shawn Kieffer, Director Shelley McThomas, Director Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners 30 W Pershing Rd. Kansas City, Missouri 64108

Re: Petition entitled: Petition for Initiative to Establish a Living Wage in the City of Kansas City, Missouri

Enclosed is a Petition for Referendum Initiative to Establish a Living Wage in the City of Kansas City, Missouri.

The City Clerk of Kansas City, Missouri, has determined that there are 475 pages of the petition turned in to our office. Please have your staff determine if the persons who signed the petitions are registered voters of Kansas City, Missouri. In addition, the petitions have been delivered to Clay, Platte and Cass Counties.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Sanders

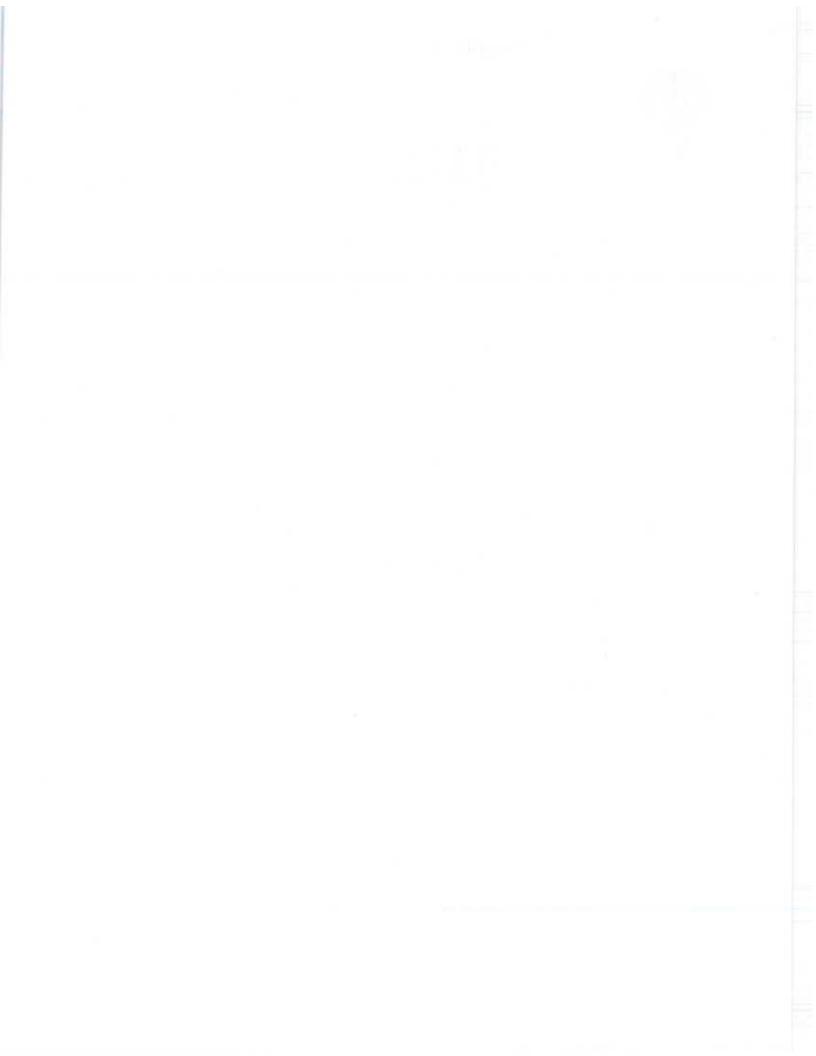
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Enclosures



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To:

Mayor and Council City of Kansas City, Missouri & The Honorable Marilyn Sanders City Clerk of Kansas City, Missouri

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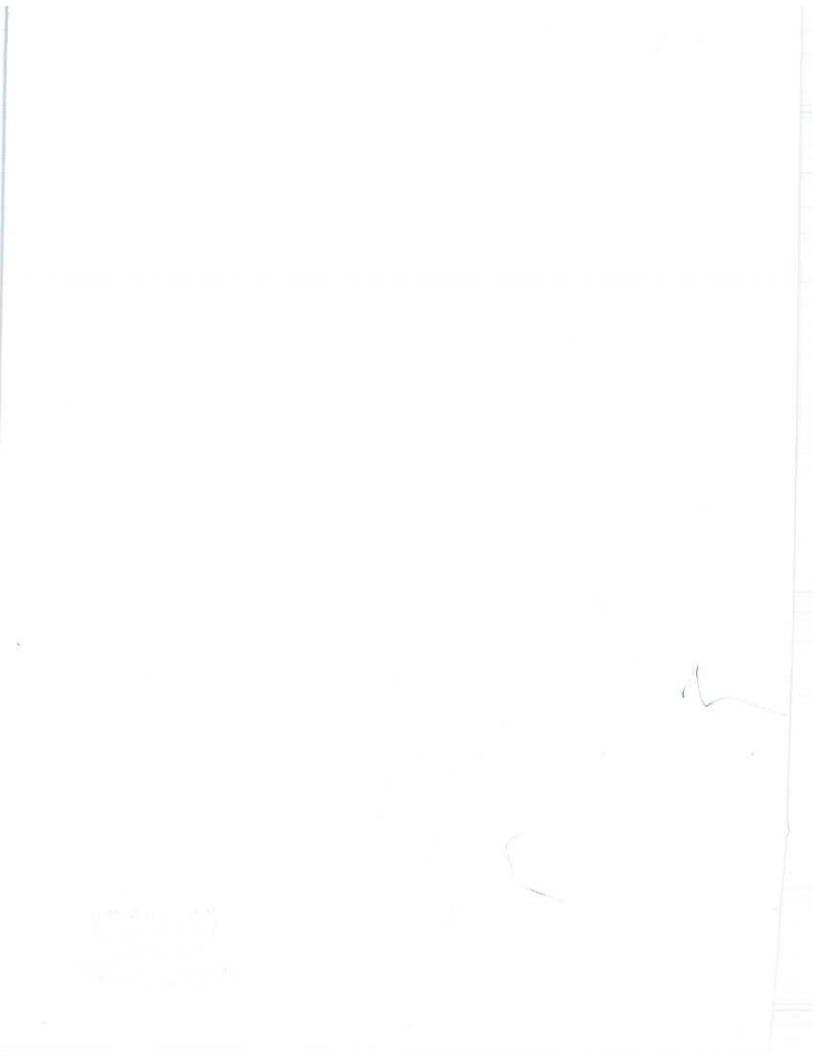
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VOTARY PUBLIC)

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To:

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25th Floor, City Hall 414 East 12th Street

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To:

Mayor and Council City of Kansas City, Missouri &

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414 East 12th Street

Kansas City, Missouri 64106

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Mayor and Council City of Kansas City, Missouri &

The Honorable Marilyn Sanders City Clerk of Kansas City, Missouri

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PAMELA C. McDONALD Notary Public - Notary Seal STATE OF MISSOURI Jackson County

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of 2015

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To:

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Mayor and Council City of Kansas City, Missouri &

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Kansas City, Missouri 64106

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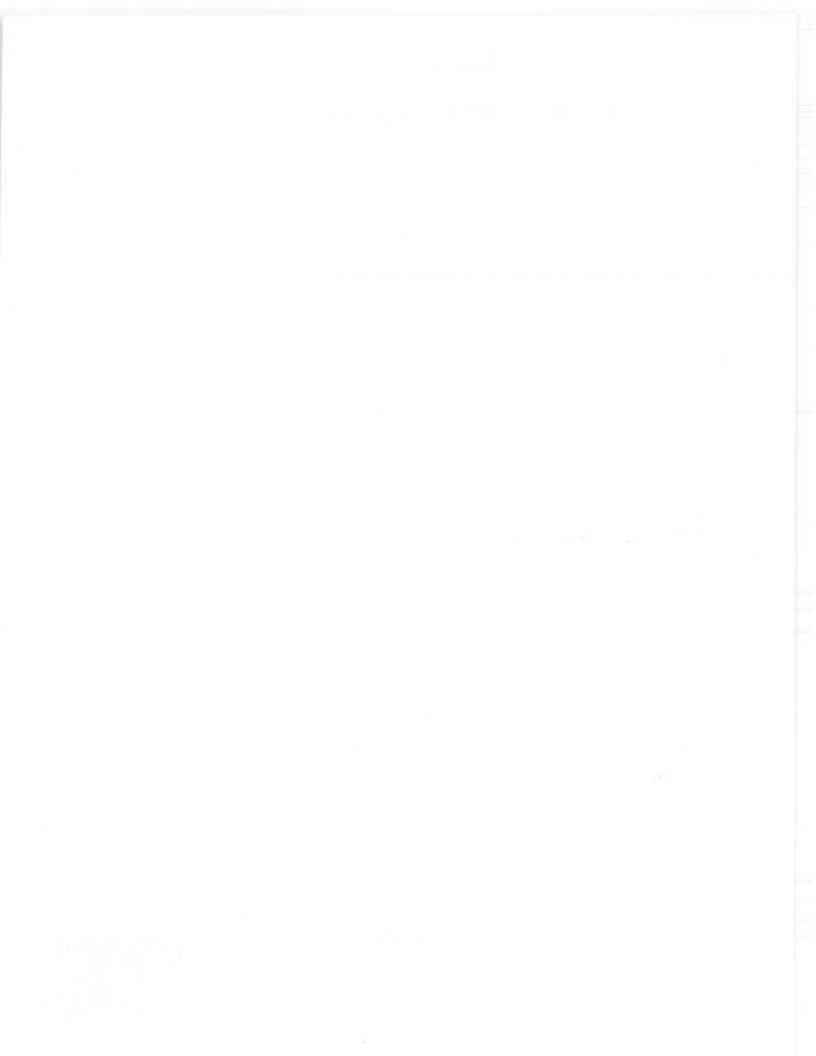
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her name and address correctly, has signed the petition only, once, and that each signer an elector of Kansas City, Missouri.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

itor's Signature NOTARY PUBLIC) [SEAL]

PAMELA C. McDONALD Notary Public - Notary Seal STATE OF MISSOURI Jackson County My Commission Expires: 5/22/2017 Commission # 13504912



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Circulator's Signature

[SEAL]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

(NOTARY PUBLIC)

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To:

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Mayor and Council City of Kansas City, Missouri &

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Each of the undersigned agrees that this Petition may be filed in counterparts, without the presentation of other signed counterparts to those who have signed below. Any questions or comments regarding this Petition may be directed to Rev. Samuel E. Mann.

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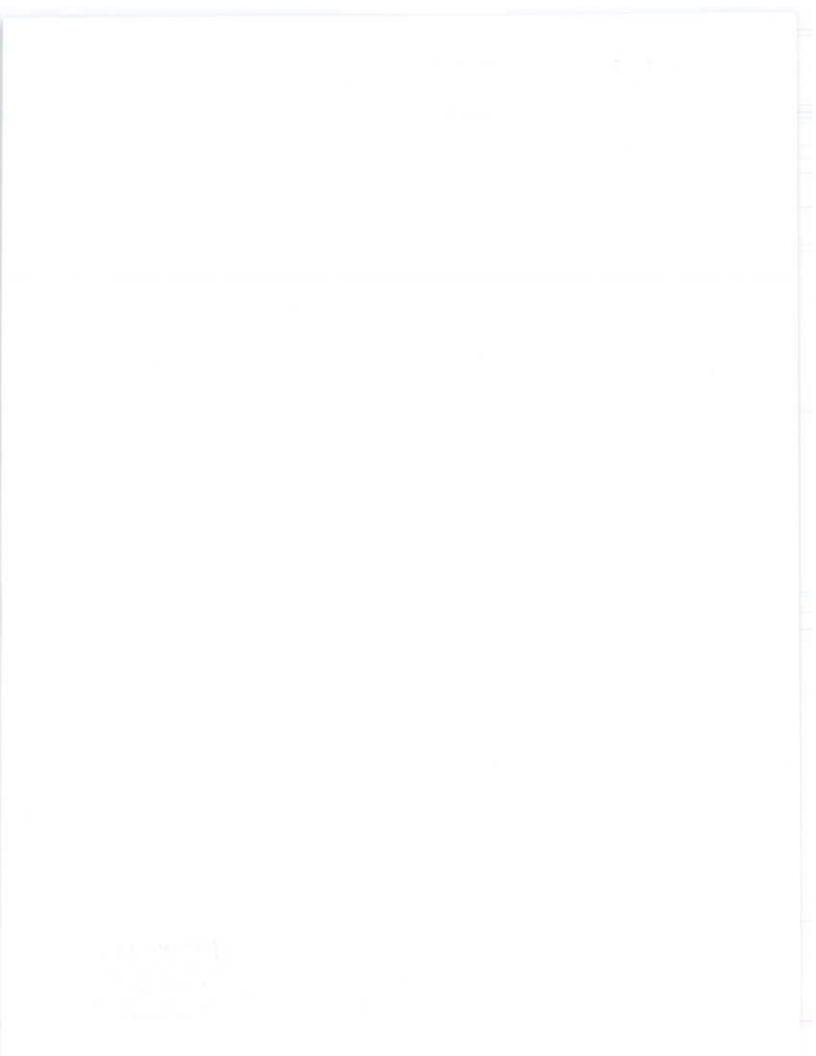
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To:

Mayor and Council City of Kansas City, Missouri &

The Honorable Marilyn Sanders City Clerk of Kansas City, Missouri

25<sup>th</sup> Floor, City Hall 414 East 12<sup>th</sup> Street Kansas City, Missouri 64106 0015 05/06H27 PM12:18:41

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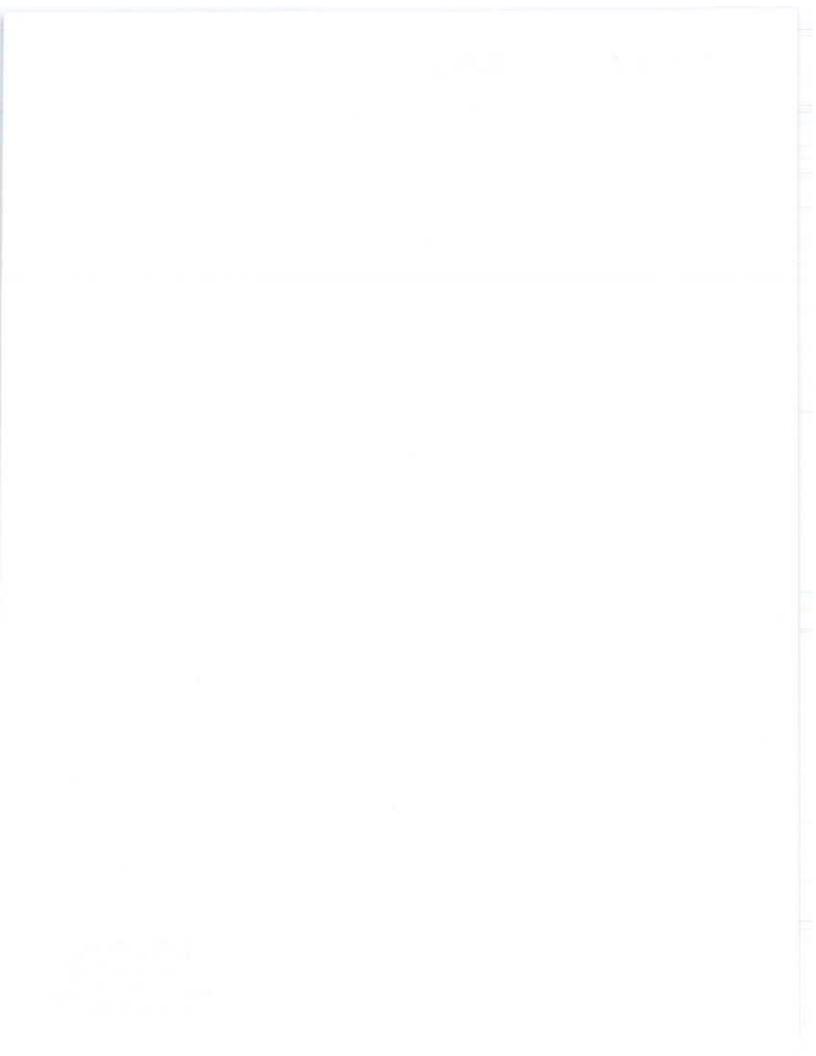
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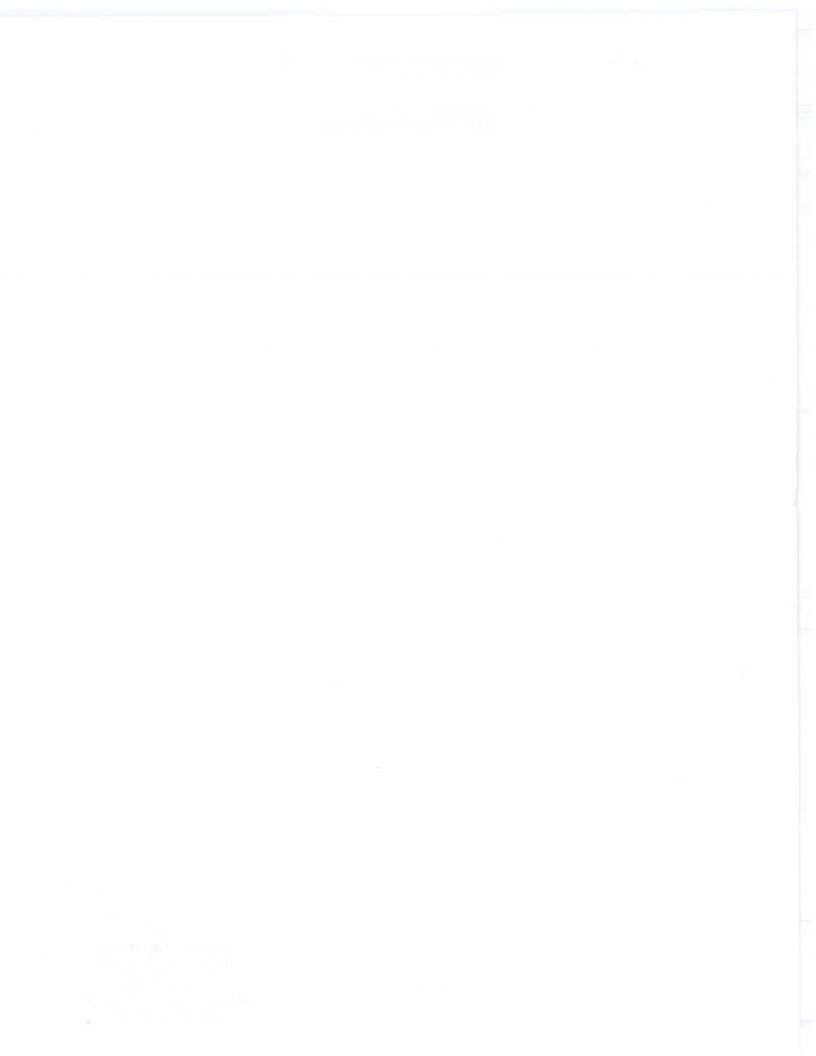
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Kansas City, Missouri 64106

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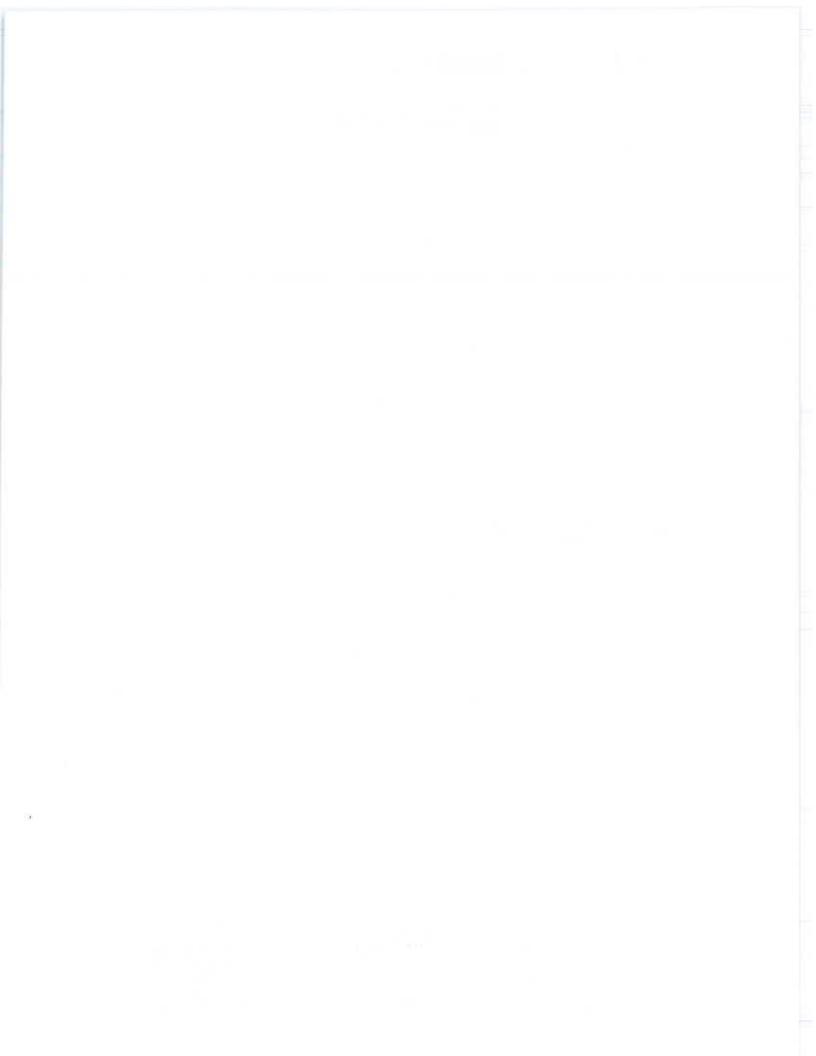
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To:

State of Missouri

County of Jackson )

Mayor and Council City of Kansas City, Missouri &

The Honorable Marilyn Sanders City Clerk of Kansas City, Missouri

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Kansas City, Missouri 64106

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Name (signature)	Date Signed	Registered Voting Address	Zip Code	Name (printed or typed)
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signed the foregoing petition paper and each of them signed his or her name thereto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his or her name and address correctly, has signed the petition only once, and that each signer is an elector of Kansas City, Missouri.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

Circulator's Signature

day of April . 2015

CARLE C. Marill

OTARY PUBLIC)

PAMELA C. McDONALD
Notary Public - Notary Seal
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this

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PAMELA C. McDONALD
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Mayor and Council City of Kansas City, Missouri & The Honorable Marilyn Sanders

City Clerk of Kansas City, Missouri 25th Floor, City Hall

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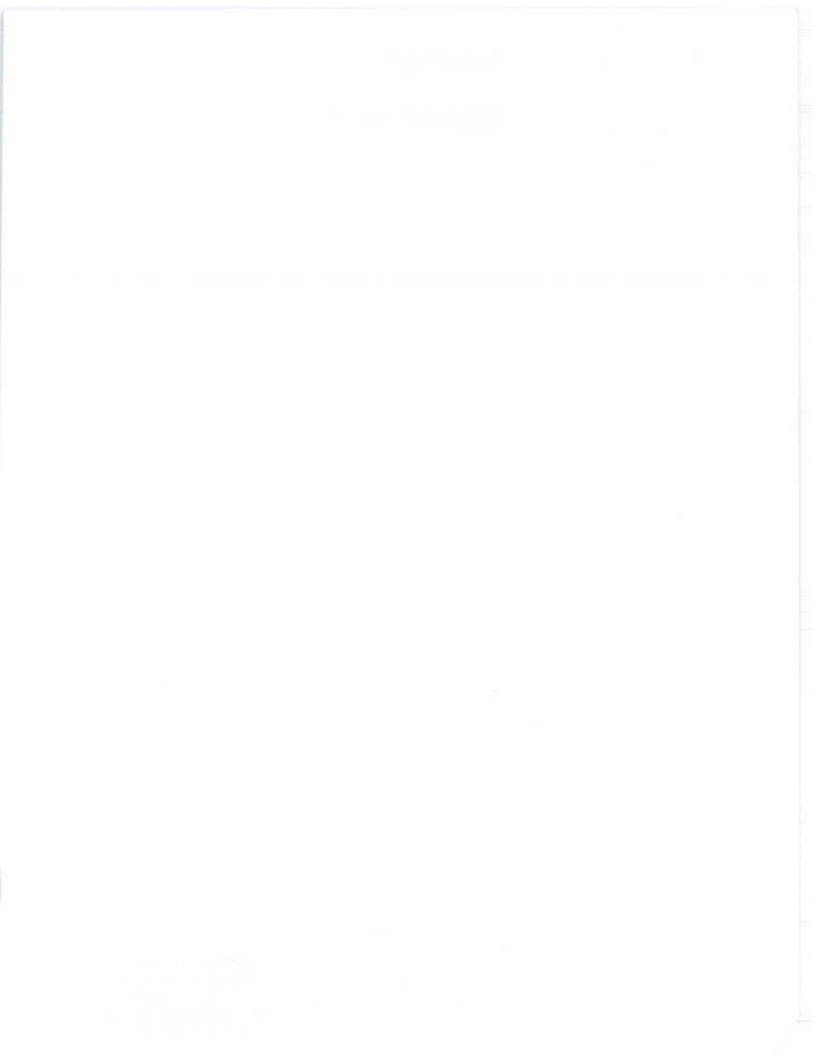
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To:

State of Missouri )

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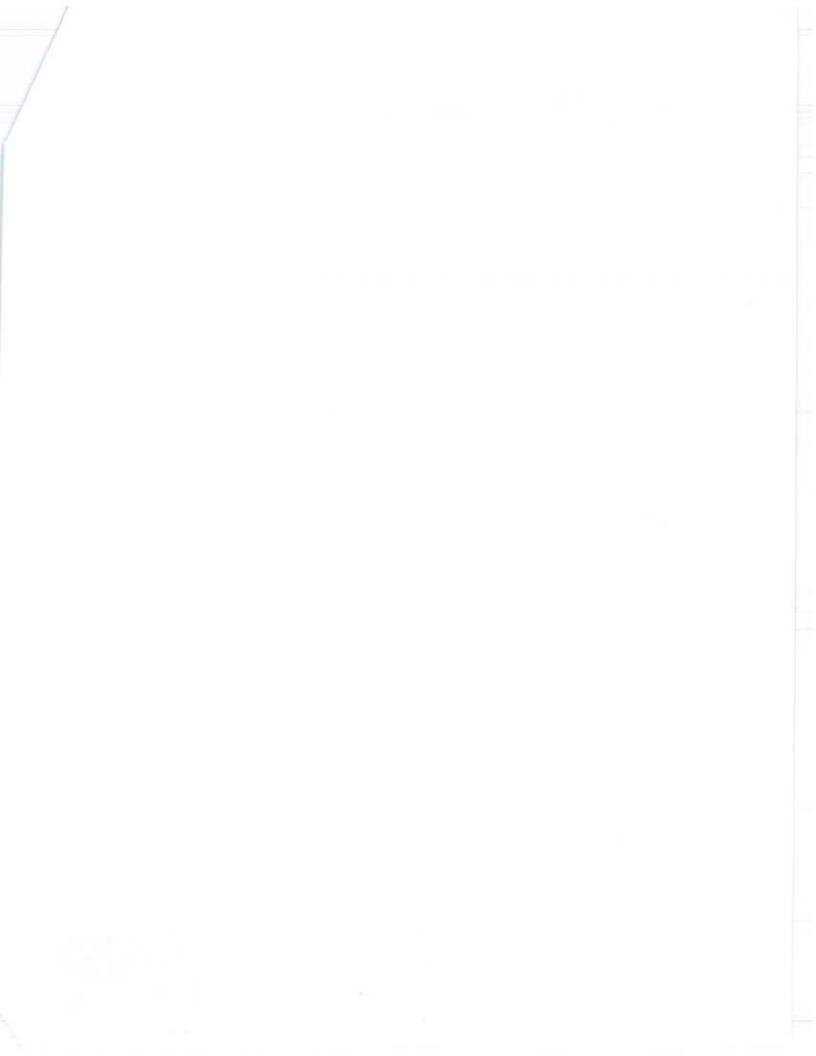
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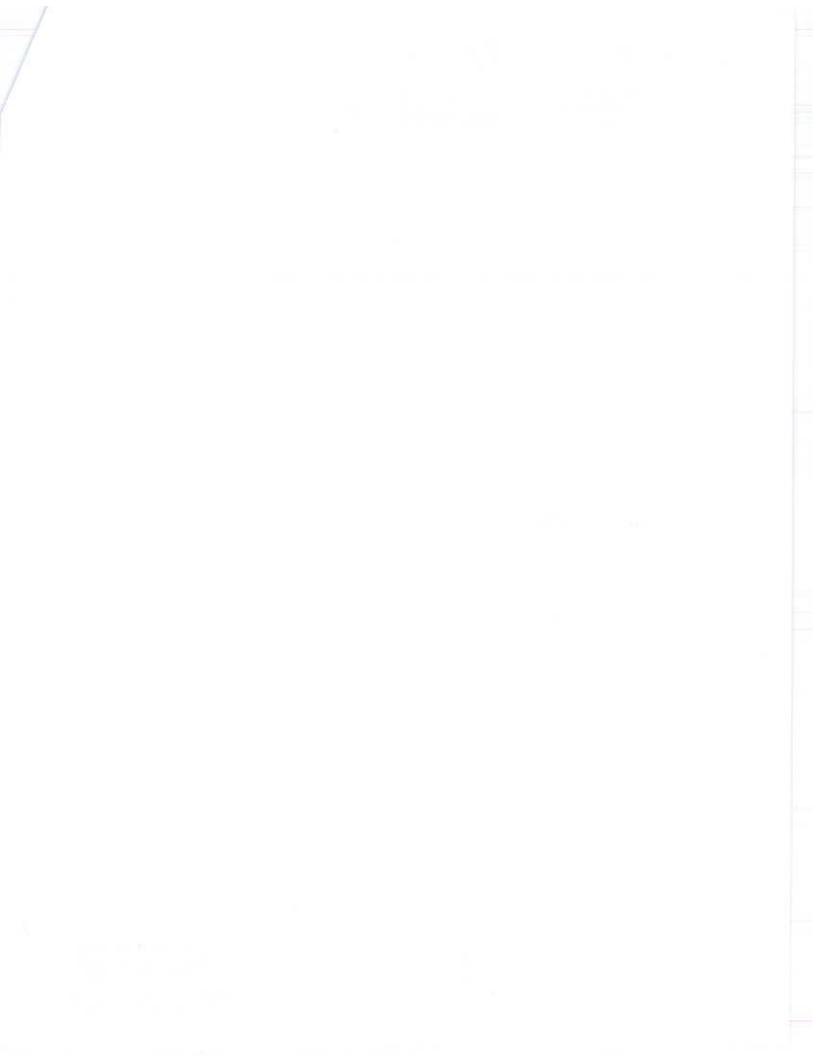
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The undersigned, being duly registered voters of the City of Kansas City, Missouri, respectfully request that the Code of Ordinances of the City of Kansas City, Missouri, be amended to enact a new Section establishing a living wage within the City of Kansas City, Missouri; specifying employers subject to the living wage; making findings as to the necessity of a living wage; establishing a prohibition against retaliation for reporting violations of the living wage; providing for remedies and penalties; providing the process to be employed upon complaints of violations; establishing severability; and providing an effective date; and that it be submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Kansas City, Missouri, for their approval or rejection at the next municipal, state, or general election, or as may otherwise be provided by law. A copy of the proposed Ordinance is attached hereto.

The following five electors of the City, as the Committee of Petitioners, shall be regarded as fling the Petition:

Rev. Samuel E. Mann	3665 Harrison Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64109
Lloyd Fields	7500 E. 110 <sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, MO 64134
Rodney Williams	1104 W. 101st Terrace Apt. C, Kansas City, MO 64114
Tex Sample	4219 N. Jarboe CT., Kansas City, MO 64116
Wallace S. Hartsfield	2843 Benton Blvd., Kansas City, MO 64128

Each of the undersigned agrees that this Petition may be filed in counterparts, without the presentation of other signed counterparts to those who have signed below. Any questions or comments regarding this Petition may be directed to Rev. Samuel E. Mann.

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County of Jackson	}
State of Missouri	)

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	Circulator's	Printed Name

, being duly sworn, under oath state that the following person, to wit:

Name (signature)	Date Signed	Registered Voting Address	Zip Code	Name (printed or typed)
1 Jan Day	4-7-15	CG10 PARK	64132	RAY DUBRY
2. James & 749	4.7.13	10410 5K, Les	64134	JIMMIEL FICHT
3. Mannee Willes	4/7/15	10730 Lewis et.	4134	TAMMIE WILLS
4. Jame Our	4/2/15	7908E112Th ST	64134	James Osboin
5. Augusta J. Michaels	4/1/15	8400 E.105th St	64134	Augus 7.4 J. Nichols
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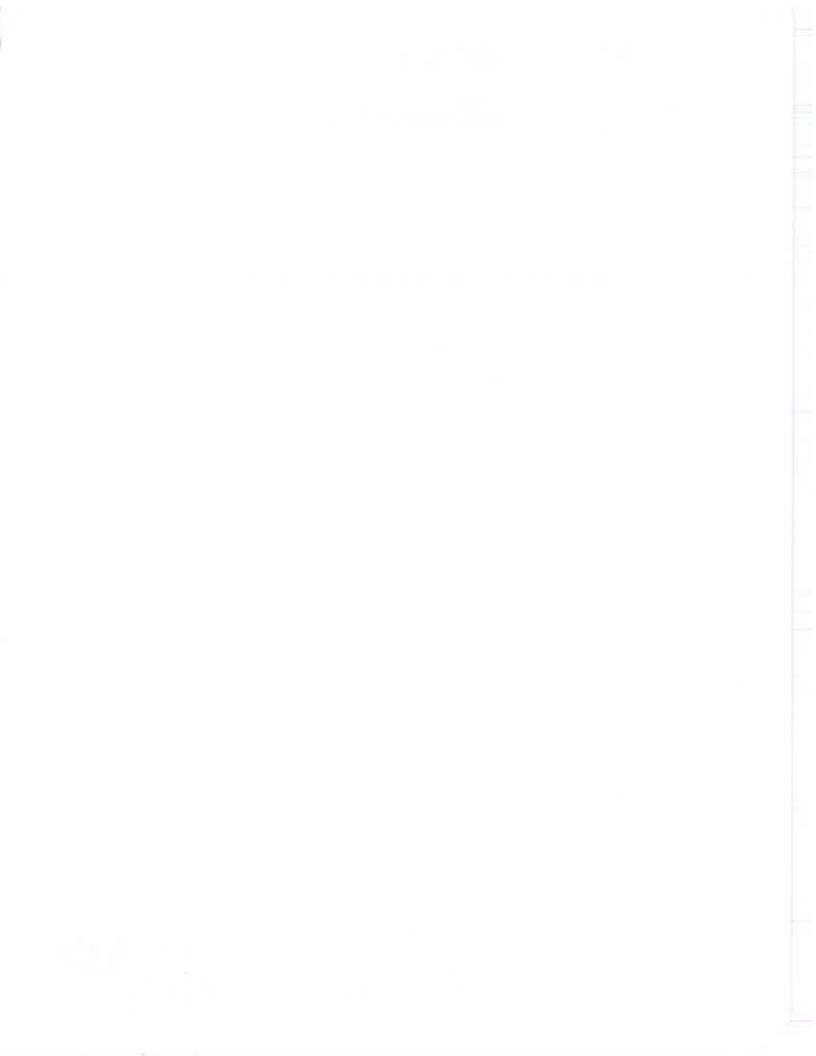
signed the foregoing petition paper and each of them signed his or her name thereto in my presence. I believe that each has stated his or her name and address correctly, has signed the petition only once, and that each signer is an elector of Kansas City, Missouri.

Circulator's Signature

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

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PAMELA C. McDONALD Notary Public - Notary Seal STATE OF MISSOURI Jackson County My Commission Expires: 5/22/2017 Commission # 13504912



ORDINANCE	NO.	
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AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A LIVING WAGE WITHIN THE CITY OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI; SPECIFYING EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LIVING WAGE; MAKING FINDINGS AS TO THE NECESSITY OF A LIVING WAGE; ESTABLISHING A PROHIBITION ON RETALIATION FOR REPORTING VIOLATIONS OF THE LIVING WAGE; PROVIDING FOR REMEDIES AND PENALTIES; PROVIDING THE PROCESS TO BE EMPLOYED UPON COMPLAINTS OF VIOLATIONS; ESTABLISHING SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, to safeguard the public welfare, health, safety, and prosperity of the people in the City of Kansas City, Missouri, it is essential that working persons earn wages that ensure a decent and healthy life; and

WHEREAS, a number of Kansas City, Missouri families live below the poverty level, and many who are employed do not earn sufficient wages to be self-sufficient; and

WHEREAS, when businesses do not pay a livable wage the community and taxpayers bear associated costs in the form of increased demand for taxpayer-funded services, including emergency medical services, homeless shelters, and other social services and community-based services; and

WHEREAS, an increase in the minimum wage paid to employees could potentially increase workplace productivity, save costs through reduced employee turnover, boost income for families, restore work/family balance, enhance the local tax base, and reduce certain health care costs; and

WHEREAS, the Council now desires to adopt an ordinance to increase the Minimum Wage to be provided to employees working in the City of Kansas City, Missouri;

NOW, THEREFORE.

## BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNSEL:

#### SECTION 1 - AUTHORITY.

This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to its general police powers and the authority to provide for the general health and welfare of its citizens as established by the Missouri Constitution, Article VI, Section 19(a), giving a charter city all powers which are consistent with the Missouri Constitution and that are not limited or denied by the City of Kansas City, Missouri Charter or by statute.

#### SECTION 2 - DEFINITIONS.

A. "Apprentice" means a person bound to serve another for a specified time in order to learn some art, trade, profession, or business;

- B. "Base wage" means the minimum hourly rate of compensation that an employee who customarily and regularly receives more than thirty dollars (\$30.00) a month in tips shall be paid pursuant to this Ordinance;
- C. "Commission" means a payment based on a percentage of the value of sales or other business done;
- D. "Living wage" means the minimum hourly rate of compensation that an employee shall be paid; and
- E. "Tip" means a gratuity earned by an employee for providing good service.

### **SECTION 3 - APPLICABILITY.**

- A. This Ordinance shall be effective within the corporate limits of the City of Kansas City, Missouri, established by Article 1, Section 101 of the Kansas City, Missouri Charter.
- B. Employees of the City of Kansas City, Missouri shall be paid the living wage established by Section 5 of this Ordinance. However, the provisions of this subsection are expressly limited by and subject to collective bargaining agreements between the City of Kansas City, Missouri and any bargaining unit.
- C. As of the effective date of this Ordinance, contracts entered into by the City of Kansas City, Missouri for services, including construction services, shall require the contractor to pay the living wage established by this Ordinance.
- D. Businesses required by the City of Kansas City, Missouri to have a business license from the City of Kansas City, Missouri shall pay the living wage established by this Ordinance.
- E. For purposes of identifying who shall be paid the living wage established by this Ordinance, all individuals employed in the corporate limits of the City of Kansas City, Missouri, whether on a part-time, full-time or temporary basis, shall be considered to be an employee for purposes of this Ordinance. Also considered an employee for purposes of this Ordinance are contingent or contracted workers, and persons working through a temporary service, staffing or employment agency or similar entity. However, the following shall not be considered employees entitled to the living wage established by this Ordinance:
- (1) An individual employed by the United States, the State of Missouri or any political subdivision of the State other than by the City of Kansas City, Missouri;
- (2) An individual engaged in the activities of an educational, charitable, religious or nonprofit organization where the employer-employee relationship does not, in fact, exist or where the services rendered to such organizations are on a voluntary basis;
- (3) Apprentices in a registered apprentice program recognized by the State of Missouri or the Federal Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, as well as any apprentice participating in an apprenticeship program providing significant instructional and practical experience and offered by the City of Kansas City, Missouri.

- (4) Temporary employees of an educational, charitable or religious youth camp or retreat where room and board are provided to the employee, or if a day camp, where board only is provided. To qualify under this exemption the employer must hold a valid certificate issued annually by the Director of the Missouri Department of Labor pertaining to exemption of seasonal employees;
- (5) Any employee that is the parent, spouse, child or other member of the employer's immediate family; for purposes of this subsection, the employer shall include the principal stockholder of a family corporation;
- (6) Interns working for a business for academic credit in connection with a course of study at an accredited school, college or university; and
- (7) Persons working for a business in connection with a court-ordered community service program.

### SECTION 4 - FINDINGS.

- A. The City Council finds that the public welfare, health, safety and prosperity of citizens of the City of Kansas City, Missouri requires that citizens be paid a living wage sufficient to ensure a decent and healthy life;
- B. The City Council finds that establishing a mandatory minimum hourly wage will promote the public welfare, health, safety and prosperity by ensuring that citizens can better support and care for their families through their own efforts;
- C. The City Council finds that when businesses do not pay adequate wages, the community bears the cost in the form of increased demand for taxpayer-funded social services;
- D. The City Council finds that it is in the public interest to require that employers benefiting from the opportunity to do business in the City of Kansas City, Missouri pay employees a living wage that is adequate to meet the basic needs of living in the City of Kansas City, Missouri.

#### SECTION 5 - LIVING WAGE PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS.

- A. Except as provided in subsection B, the living wage paid to an employee not excluded as set forth above, shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) per hour, effective September 1, 2015. Beginning September 1, 2017, the living wage shall be increased by \$1.25 each year thereafter for the next four years. The City of Kansas City, Missouri shall post the living wage established by this Ordinance on its website after this Ordinance becomes effective and at least ninety (90 days prior to each adjustment of the living wage.
- B. An employee who customarily and regularly receives more than thirty dollars (\$30.00) a month in tips and/or commissions shall be paid at least a base wage equivalent to sixty percent of the living wage established by this Ordinance. Initially the base wage rate shall be six dollars (\$6.00). That wage will increase simultaneously and proportionately with each living wage increase. The employer may consider tips and commissions as part of wages, but the tips and commissions combined with the employer's payment of wages to the employee shall not equal less than the living wage as provided in subsection A of this section. In the event an employee earns insufficient

tips and/or commissions combined with the base wage to receive a wage at least equal to the living wage established by this Ordinance, the employer shall pay the employee the difference to ensure the employee receives a wage equal to the living wage established by this Ordinance. All tips received by such employee shall be retained by the employee, except that nothing in this section shall prohibit the pooling of tips among employees. Where employees practice tip pooling or splitting (as where staff give a portion of their tips to bus persons), only the amount actually retained by each employee shall be considered part of that employee's wages.

### SECTION 6 - PROHIBITION AGAINST RETALIATION AND CIRCUMVENTION.

It shall be unlawful for any employer or employer's agent or representative to discharge, demote, deny promotion to or in any way discriminate against an employee in the terms or conditions of employment in retaliation for the person asserting a claim or right pursuant to this Ordinance or assisting another person to do so.

### SECTION 7 - REMEDIES AND PENALTIES.

A. A person violating this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of \$500. Any person violating any of the requirements of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a separate offense for each day or portion thereof and for each worker or person as to which any such violation has occurred.

- B. The City, any individual aggrieved by a violation of this Ordinance, or any entity whose members have been aggrieved by a violation of this Ordinance, may bring a civil action in a court of competent jurisdiction to restrain, correct, abate or remedy any violation of this Ordinance and, upon prevailing, shall be entitled to such legal or equitable relief as may be appropriate to remedy the violation including, without limitation, reinstatement, the payment of any wages due, an additional amount as liquidated damages equal to twice the amount of any wages due, injunctive relief, and reasonable attorney's fees and costs.
- C. The remedies provided in this Ordinance are not exclusive, and nothing in this Ordinance shall preclude any person from seeking any other remedies, penalties, or relief provided by law.

## SECTION 8- PROSPECTIVE APPLICATION.

Nothing in this Ordinance shall be deemed to nor shall be applied in such a manner so as to have a constitutionally prohibited effect as an ex post facto law or impairment of an existing contract within the meaning of the Missouri Constitution, Article 1, Section 13.

### SECTION 9 - SEVERABILITY.

The requirements and provisions of this Ordinance are severable. In the event that any requirement, provision, part, subpart or clause of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, it is the intent of the Council that the remainder of the Ordinance be enforced to the maximum extent possible consistent with the objective of ensuring a living wage.

# **SECTION 10 - NOTICE POSTING.**

Any holder of a City of Kansas City, Missouri business license shall, as a condition of obtaining or holding a business license, post and display in a prominent location next to its business license a notice that the business is in compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance and shall include the text of Sections 3 and 5 of this Ordinance. Failure to comply with this Section shall be construed as a violation of this Ordinance and, in addition, shall be considered grounds for suspension, revocation, or termination of the business license.

## SECTION 11 - PROCEDURE.

A complaint form for use in reporting violations of this Ordinance shall be available on the City webpage for use in reporting violations.

## **SECTION 12 - EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Ordinance shall become effective the later of September 1, 2015 or sixty (60) days after its adoption by the City Council.