RESOLUTION FOR POVERTY EXEMPTION

MAPLE GROVE TOWNSHIP

SAGINAW COUNTY, STATE OF MICHIGAN

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Trustees of Maple Grove Township, Saginaw County, State of Michigan, held on the 15th day of March, 2020 at 7:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time.

RESOLUTION #: 03-2021-04

PRESENT: Supervisor Krupp, Treasurer Yaros, Clerk Yaros, Trustee Peterman and Trustee Wendling.

ABENSET: None.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Supervisor Krupp and supported by Clerk Yaros.

WHEREAS, the adoption of guidelines for poverty exemptions is required for Maple Grove Township; and

WHEREAS, The principal residence of persons, who the Supervisor/Assessor and Board of Review determines by reason of poverty to be unable to contribute to the public charge, is eligible for exemption in whole or in part from taxation under Public Act 390 of 1994 (MCL 211.7u); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to PA 390 of 1994, the Township of Maple Grove, Saginaw County adopts the following guidelines for the Board of Review to implement. The guidelines shall include but not be limited to the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and all persons residing in the household, including any property tax credit returns, filed in the current or immediately preceding year;

To be eligible, a person shall do all the following on an annual basis:

- 1) Be an owner of and occupy as a principal residence the property for which an exemption is requested.
- 2) File a claim with the Board of Review, accompanied by federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the principal residence, including any property tax credit returns filed in the immediately preceding year or in the current year or a signed State Tax Commission Form 4988, Poverty Exemption Affidavit.
- 3) File a claim reporting that the combined assets of all persons do not exceed \$30,000. Assets include but are not limited to, real estate other than the principal residence, personal property, motor vehicles, recreational vehicles and equipment, certificates of deposit, savings accounts, checking accounts, stocks, bonds, life insurance, retirement funds, etc.
- 4) Produce a valid driver's license or other form of identification if requested.
- 5) Produce, if requested, a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is requested.
- 6) Meet the previous years' federal poverty income guidelines as defined and determined annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

- 7) The application for an exemption shall be filed after January 1, but one day prior to the last day of the December Board of Review. The filing of this claim constitutes an appearance before the Board of Review for the purpose of preserving the right of appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.
- 8) Exemptions may be granted as a full exemption equal to a 100% reduction in taxable value or a partial exemption equal to a 25% or 50% reduction in taxable value.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE Board of Review shall follow the above stated policy and federal guidelines in granting or denying an exemption.

The foregoing resolution offered by Maple Grove Township Board Member and supported by Maple Grove Township Board Member

AYES: Supervisor Krupp, Treasurer Yaros, Clerk Yaros, Trustee Peterman and Trustee Wendling.

NAYS: None.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Tish Yaros Maple Grove Township Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Trustees of Maple Grove Township, Saginaw County, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on March 15, 2021, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.