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Be it ordained by the Board of Health of the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District as follows:

A. This Ordinance shall be known as the “Inspection Notice Placard Ordinance.”

B. After inspection of a Food Establishment, if no Inspection Notice placard is in effect or if the Inspection Notice placard is being changed, the Health Authority shall issue an Inspection Notice placard to the owner or operator pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance.

C. The Inspection Notice placard shall be placed and maintained in such location at the Food Establishment as provided by this Ordinance.

D. The Inspection Notice placard is the property of the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District.

E. It is a violation of this Ordinance for the owner or operator of the Food Establishment to remove the Inspection Notice placard or to cause or allow it to be removed from the location designated by the Health Authority. Every such day on which the placard is not in the designated location shall constitute a separate violation.

F. The Inspection Notice placard shall be as follows:

(1) Green indicates “SATISFACTORY COMPLIANCE” as determined by the Health Authority. The Food Establishment is in satisfactory compliance with this Ordinance and with all applicable rules and regulations.

(2) Yellow indicates “FOOD SAFETY ALERT” as determined by the Health Authority. The Food Establishment is in non-compliance with administrative enforcement actions pending.

(3) Red indicates “CLOSED” as determined by the Health Authority. The Food Establishment is out of compliance with this Ordinance or the applicable rules or regulations to the extent that it poses an immediate threat to the public health and closure is ordered by the Health Authority.

(4) The content of the Inspection Notice placard shall be as determined by the Public Health Administrator.

G. An Inspection Notice placard may be removed and replaced by a different placard only by the Health Authority upon any routine inspection or upon any inspection made for any purpose.
H. If an Inspection Notice placard is damaged or removed, a replacement placard will be provided by the Health Authority upon request. If the placard is damaged or removed without the fault of the operator or owner or employees, the replacement will be without a fee. Otherwise, there will be a fee as set forth in the fee schedule.

I. The Inspection Notice placard shall be placed in a location as follows:

   (1) The Inspection Notice placard shall be placed in a location which is clearly visible to the public and to patrons or potential patrons of the Food Establishment and to any interested person and from which it is easily readable.

   (2) The exact placement of the Inspection Notice placard shall be as determined by the Health Authority giving due regard to the nature of the facility.

   (3) Guidelines for the placement of Inspection Notice placards are available from the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District.

J. It shall be a violation of this Ordinance if the Inspection Notice placard or the clear view of it is altered or obstructed in any way.

K. In addition to any other penalties provided by law, violation of this Ordinance will result in suspension of the Permit and the posting of the Inspection Notice placard stating that the Food Establishment is closed, which placard shall remain posted until the violations are corrected. In the sole discretion of the Health Authority, the Health Authority may waive the suspension for any particular occasion upon such terms as the Health Authority deems appropriate. Any such waiver of suspension shall not create any right to a waiver for any other occasion. Enforcement of the suspension of the Permit shall be by any means provided by law including judicial proceedings for temporary restraining order, preliminary injunction and injunction.

L. A Permit and the Inspection Notice placard may not be transferred from one person or entity to another, from one Food Establishment to another, from one type of operation to another, or from one location to another.

M. This Ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form not later than December 3, 2018.

N. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effective on and after January 1, 2019. At that time, all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remainder of this Ordinance will not be affected.
Approved and adopted this 15 day of November, 2018, by the Board of Health of the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District.

C. Pius Weibel
Chair

21-15-18
Date

Board Members

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Yes No

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Yes No

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Yes No