#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2001**-10

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 88-23, AS AMENDED, WHICH ESTABLISHED A UNIFORM BUILDING NUMBERING SYSTEM; SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 2, DEFINITIONS; SECTION 9, PRIVATE ROAD/STREET/EASEMENT NAMES; SECTION 10, ADDRESS NUMBERING SEQUENCE; AND SECTION 11, POSTING STREET SIGNS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, it has been determined to be in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Nassau County, Florida, that Ordinance No. 88-23, as amended, be further amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this <u>26th</u> day of March, 2001, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, that Ordinance No. 88-23, as amended, shall be further amended as follows:

## 1. SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this Ordinance, the following terms, phrases, works, and their derivations shall have the meaning, that is provided in the current National Emergency Number Association (NENA) Standard Guidelines, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

(a) Accessory Building: A building which is clearly incidental or subordinate to and customarily utilized adjacent to and in connection with a principal building located on the same lot.

(b) Principal Building: Any structure which is designed, built, or used for the support, enclosure, shelter, or protection of persons, animals, chattels, or property of any kind for any residential, commercial or industrial purpose.

(c) Building Front or Facade: That area or façade of a building which has visible numbers from a public or private street or way because it faces the public or private street or way pursuant to which the building is numbered. When a building is constructed on a corner lot, the building front or facade shall be that area of the building which faces the street on which a projected address was

assigned or, in the event a projected address has not been assigned, the area so designated by the Sheriff's Office.

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(d) Building Numbering Maps: A master set of maps which, in conjunction with approved plats and site plans, details the existing street name and numbering sequence ranges within Nassau County. Said maps, in addition to the plats and site plans, will be designated the MASTER STREET ADDRESSING MAPS and will be kept by the Sheriff. A record of changes, encompassed of the Street Naming Assignment Forms, will be forwarded to the Clerk of Courts on an annual basis.

(e) Sheriff or his designee: The Sheriff shall be the Sheriff of Nassau County, Florida. The designee shall be the person or persons, employed by the Sheriff, specifically indicated by him to be his/her designee for the purposes of this Ordinance.

(f) Grid System Guide: That grid system as defined in the NENA standards.

(g) Non-conformance: Any failure to comply with the provisions of this Ordinance including, but not limited to, by way of example: a number out of sequence, odd or even number on wrong side of street, rural box numbers in a 911 addressed area, numbers improperly affixed, numbers illegible, numbers unclear, numbers obstructed, numbers not visible, numbers not present, numbers of improper size, numbers not in contrast with immediate background, weatherworn numbers, wrong numbers, and non-approved numbers.

(h) Uniform Building Numbering System: A numeric ranging system by which existing buildings and projected lots and parcels for future buildings are assigned addresses in a coordinated and uniform method as designated by and on the master grid range assignment maps.

(i) Occupant: Any person, firm, entity, partnership, trust, corporation, association or other organization who is occupying or

leasing a building or other property for a period exceeding thirty (30) days.

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(j) Owner: Any and all persons, firms, entities, partnerships, trusts, corporation, associations, or other organizations who own the fee title to, or have an undivided interest in, any building or property which is subject to the provisions of this ordinance.

(k) Private Way: Any street, road, avenue, drive, cul-desac, or other thoroughfare, one-thousand feet (1,000') three hundred feet (300') or more in length, used for vehicular traffic and any easement or right-of-way that provides sole access to more than one parcel or lot which is not included in the definition of "public way" and which is not maintained by Nassau County. This term shall include, but is not limited to, roadways or driveways in mobile home parks, apartments, condominiums, commercial, or industrial complexes.

(1) Projected Street Name and Numbering Scheme: All approved site plans and plats, including amendments thereto, which contain projected street names and addresses although no construction or development has occurred on the projected street.

(m) Public Way: Any area of a public road or right-of-way, either paved or unpaved, which is intended for vehicular traffic, and that has been dedicated to Nassau County for the purpose of vehicular traffic and for use as a thoroughfare for vehicular traffic whether accepted or not by Nassau County, excluding, however, service entrances or driveways.

# 2. SECTION 9. PRIVATE ROAD/STREET/EASEMENT NAMES

Private road/street/easement naming shall be required under the following conditions:

a. If the road/street/easement extends more than 1,000 feet three hundred feet (300') from the public road and/or there are three or more homes or businesses on the easement.

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- b. When an unnamed private road/street/easement requires naming, a petition must be obtained with the signatures of sixty six percent (66%) of the residents who are property owners on the subject road/street/easement.
- c. The said petition must provide three (3) road name choices that are acceptable to the petitioners. Road names, including spaces between words should not be more than 14 spaces in length, suffix excluded. Any name duplication in the three road name choices is not permitted. No naming will include directional or numerical reference or alphanumeric sequences.
- d. Road signs shall be required on all unmaintained roads. If there is an existing unmaintained road that does not have a name, the Sheriff or his designee shall contact the residents on that unnamed road and they may suggest a name or names to the Sheriff or his designee within thirty (30) days of the notification that the naming is required. If fifty one (51) percent of the residents do not agree with the name, the Sheriff or his designee shall have the authority to name the road and signage will be placed on the road in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph B above.

a. Signs shall be required on all unnamed roads. Signs may be obtained from the Nassau County Public Works Department for a fee for the sign, cap and post or may be purchased privately and must conform to the county's sign standards.

### 3. SECTION 11. POSTING STREET SIGNS

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Street signage will be posted in a uniform and controlled method, pursuant to county, Florida Department of Transportation, and federal regulations, so that emergency response units can readily see assigned street names and street ranges where provided. The following provisions will be adhered to in posting of street signage:

- 1. On Nassau County maintained roads and on private streets and roadways and easements, except in plated private subdivisions and PUD's, signage shall be provided and maintained by the Nassau County Public Works Department, pursuant to the following guidelines: -
- 2. On private streets and roadways and easements, the owner(s) shall be responsible to erect and maintain signage which complies with the following guidelines:
  - a. Signs shall be posted at a <u>minimum</u> height of a minimum height of seven (7) feet above the road surface.
  - b. Signs shall be located at all street or roadway intersections.
  - c. <u>Private road</u> <u>Ss</u>igns shall be on a readily identifiable blue background with contrasting and reflective letters no less than a <u>four-inch-height</u> <u>six-inch height.</u> with standard block letters. <u>Letter</u> <u>style, sign materials, reflectivity and sign location</u> <u>shall be in accordance with Florida Department of</u> <u>Transportation, Federal Highway Administration and</u> <u>Nassau County standards.</u>
  - d. Private signs shall not have the same green color background as Nassau County maintained road signs.

Private gated communities that provide their own security may have signs that meet the "motif" of the community, but shall be subject to review by the Sheriff's Department for 911 purposes.

e. Local, state and federal regulations.

- 3. No person shall remove or deface any street sign erected or maintained by the Nassau County Public Works Department. Further, no person shall remove or deface any signs on a private street, roadway, or easement unless in conformance with this ordinance.
- 4. Any private signs that do not meet local, state and federal regulations as of the date of the adoption of this Ordinance shall be replaced and the County shall be responsible for any costs of the sign that is replaced.

#### 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall become effective upon its being filed in the Office of the Secretary of State.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

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ATTEST:

J. M. "CHIF" OXLEY, JR Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the Nassau County Attorney:

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