

**VILLAGE OF NORTH BRANCH
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ORDINANCE
ORDINANCE NO. 20**

An ordinance to establish a Downtown Development Authority pursuant to Act 197 of the Public Acts of 1975 as amended; to describe the boundaries of the downtown district; to provide for the appointment of a board to govern the Authority; and to provide for all other matters necessary and related thereto.

THE VILLAGE OF NORTH BRANCH ORDAINS:

Section 1. DETERMINATION OF NECESSITY. The North Branch Village Council hereby ratifies its earlier determination that it is necessary for the best interests of the public to halt property value deterioration and increase property tax valuation where possible in its business district, to eliminate the cause of the deterioration, and to promote economic growth by establishing a Downtown Development Authority.

Section 2. CREATION OF AUTHORITY. There is hereby created a Downtown Development Authority for the Village of North Branch. The Authority shall be a public body corporate and shall be known and exercise its powers under the name of the "North Branch Downtown Development Authority".

Section 3. POWERS AND DUTIES. The Authority shall develop whatever plans are appropriate, in the opinion of the North Branch Village Council, to aid in the economic growth of the Downtown district. Once the plans are approved by the North Branch Village Council, the Authority shall implement the plans for development in the Downtown district so as to best achieve the goals set by the North Branch Village Council consistent with the purposes of the enabling act. The Authority shall also have all powers and duties as set forth in Act 197 of 1975 as amended.

Section 4. BOUNDARIES. The North Branch Downtown Development Authority shall exercise its powers and duties within the Downtown district described as follows: Commencing at the center of the intersection of Mill Street and Lincoln Street; thence South along the center line of Lincoln Street to the center of the intersection of Lincoln Street and Banker Street; thence West along the center line of Banker Street to the center of the intersection of Banker Street and Monroe Street; thence North along the centerline of Monroe Street to the center of the alley which bisects Porter's Addition; thence West along the centerline of said alley to the west edge of Porter's Addition; thence South to the southern boundary of the Village; thence West along said Southern Village boundary to the West

Village Boundary; thence North along the West Village Boundary line to the center of Mill Street; thence East along the centerline of Mill Street to a point 300 feet east of the East line of West Street; thence South to the center of Huron Street; thence East along the centerline of Huron Street to the center of block 4 of the plat of the Village of Beechville; thence North along the centerline of said block 4 to the North Lot line of Lot 1; thence East along said lot line and continuing East along the North lot line of Lot 8 of block 1 of the plat of the Village of Beechville; thence North along the centerline of said block 1 to the center of Mill Street thence East along the centerline of Mill Street to the point of commencement.

Section 5. GOVERNING BOARD. The Authority shall be under the supervision and control of a board as provided for in Act 197 of 1975 as amended. The board shall consist of nine members, which shall include the Village President. The other eight members of the board shall be appointed by the Village President with the approval of the Village Council.

Two members of the board shall be initially appointed for terms of one year, two members for terms of two years, two members for terms of three years, and two members for terms of four years. Upon expiration of the initial terms, all reappointments shall be for terms of four years. Any person appointed to fill a vacancy shall be appointed for the remainder of the term of the person previously appointed to that position. Not less than five of the members

shall be persons having an interest in property located in the Downtown district.

Section 6. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR. The board may employ and fix the compensation of a director for the Downtown Development Authority, subject to the approval of the Village Council. In the event that a director is appointed, he shall furnish a

bond payable to the Authority in an amount not less than \$5,000.00

Section 7. TERMINATION. The Downtown Development Authority, upon completion of the purposes for which it has been organized may be dissolved by ordinance of the Village

Council. In the event of dissolution, the property and assets of the Authority shall become the property of the Village of North Branch.

Section 8. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid, the invalidity of such provision shall not affect any other provision, and for this purpose, the provisions of this ordinance are severable.

The undersigned President and Clerk of the Village of North Branch hereby certify

that this ordinance was duly adopted by the North Branch Village Council at a meeting held on the 22nd day of September, 1983, and was published in the Brown City Banner on the 27th day of September, 1983. This ordinance shall have immediate effect upon said date of publication.

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Allen Kennedy, President

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Betty Weingartz, Clerk