SECTION 2.00 INTENT AND PURPOSE

This amended ordinance adopted pursuant to the provisions of "An Act in Relation to County Zoning", passed by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois and enacted into law on June 28, 1935, and all amendments thereto, is intended to serve the following purposes:

- A. To promote the public health, safety, morals, comfort, and general welfare;
- B. To conserve the values or property throughout the County and to protect the character and stability of agricultural, residential, business, and manufacturing area, and to promote the orderly and beneficial development of such area;
- C. To provide adequate light, air, privacy, and convenience of access to property;
- D. To lessen or avoid congestion in the public streets and highways;
- E. To regulate and restrict the location and use of buildings, structures and restrict the intensity of such uses, and to establish building or setback lines outside the limits of incorporated cities, villages and towns;
- F. To divide the entire County outside the limits of such cities, villages, and incorporated towns into districts of such number, shape, area, and of such different classes, according to the use of land and buildings, and the intensity of such use, as may be deemed best suited to carry out the purposes of this Act;
- G. To prohibit uses, buildings, or structures incompatible with the character of such districts respectively;
- H. To prevent additions to and alterations or remodeling of existing buildings or structures in such a way as to avoid the restrictions and limitations lawfully imposed hereunder;
- To protect against fire, panic, explosion, noxious fumes, flooding along natural water courses and other hazards in the interest of public health, safety, comfort and general welfare;
- J. To provide for the elimination of incompatible and non-conforming uses of land, buildings, and structures which are adversely affecting the character and values of desirable development in each district; and
- K. To define and limit the powers and duties of the administrative officers and bodies as provided herein.