

# **Township of Hancock**

## **Houghton County, Michigan**

### **ORDINANCE #11**

#### **ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT RECREATIONAL MARIHUANA (MARIJUANA) ESTABLISHMENTS IN HANCOCK TOWNSHIP**

An ordinance:

to provide a title for the ordinance; to define words; to prohibit marihuana establishments within the boundaries of Hancock Township pursuant to Initiated Law 1 of 2018, MCL 333.27951 et seq., as may be amended; to provide penalties for violation of this ordinance; to provide for severability; to repeal all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith; and to provide an effective date.

THE TOWNSHIP OF HANCOCK, HOUGHTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDAINS:

#### **SECTION I TITLE**

This ordinance shall be known as and may be cited as the Hancock Township Prohibition of Marihuana Establishments Ordinance.

#### **SECTION II DEFINITIONS**

Words used herein shall have the definitions as provided for in Initiated Law 1 of 2018, MCL 333.27951 et seq., as may be amended.

#### **SECTION III NO MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS**

Hancock Township hereby prohibits all marihuana establishments within the boundaries of the Township pursuant to Initiated Law 1 of 2018, MCL 333.27951 et seq., as may be amended.

#### **SECTION IV VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES**

1. Any person who disobeys neglects or refuses to comply with any provision of this ordinance or who causes allows or consents to any of the same shall be deemed to be responsible for the violation of this ordinance.
2. A violation of this ordinance is deemed to be a nuisance per se. Michigan Townships Association Townships & Marihuana Regulation (12/3/2018)
3. A violation of this ordinance is a municipal civil infraction, for which the fines shall not be less than \$100 nor more than \$500, in the discretion of the Court.
4. The foregoing sanctions shall be in addition to the rights of the Township to proceed at law or equity with other appropriate and proper remedies.
5. Additionally, the violator shall pay costs which may include all expenses, direct and indirect, which the Township incurs in connection with the municipal civil infraction.
6. Each day during which any violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.
7. In addition, the Township may seek injunctive relief against persons alleged to be in violation of this ordinance, and such other relief as may be provided by law.

  
Kenneth Moyle  
Hancock Township Supervisor