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WEEDS AND GRASS CITY OF GAYLORD, MICHIGAN ord. eff. Aug. 14, 1989

35.101 Sec. 5601. **DEFINITIONS.**

The term "**Person**" shall mean and include one or more persons of either sex, firms, corporations, partnerships, associations, unincorporated voluntary clubs and associations.

(ord. eff. Aug. 14, 1989)

35.102 Sec. 5601.1. NOXIOUS AND POISONOUS WEEDS.

The term "Noxious and Poisonous Weed" shall include Canada Thistles, Milkweed, Wild Carrots, Oxeye Daisies, Ragweed, Goldenrod, Burdock, Poison Ivy, Poison Sumac, or any other plants or shrubs, which in the opinion of the Council is regarded as a nuisance.

(ord. eff. Aug. 14, 1989)

35.103 Sec. 5602. DUTY TO CUT, REMOVE AND EXEMPTIONS.

It shall be the duty of every person who owns any lands, within the corporate limits of the City of Gaylord, excepting those lands declared hereafter to be exempt in whole or in part, to cut, destroy and to remove, or cause to be cut, destroyed and removed from said land all noxious and poisonous weeds growing thereon, and dead grass and brush thereon, and to mow the grass growing thereon, at least three times per year, once before June 1, once before July 15, and once before September 1, to prevent such weeds from growing to seed or to blossom, as the case may be, and to prevent such dead grass and brush from becoming a fire hazard, and to keep the grass from growing to an unsightly condition.

All lands zoned as M-1 Manufacturing District under the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Gaylord shall be exempt from the requirements of this Section. Owners of lands zoned residential or commercial under the said Zoning Ordinance shall be granted an exemption from the requirements of this Ordinance if the said lands are undeveloped, provided however, they shall be required to cut, remove and destroy noxious and poisonous weeds and dead grass and brush and to mow the grass on their lands which are within 100 feet of the boundaries of adjacent lands which have thereon residences or commercial establishments. (ord. eff. Aug. 14, 1989)

35.104 Sec. 5603. FAILURE OF OWNER TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS.

If the owner of any property fails to comply with the foregoing requirements, after being notified by mail to so comply, the City of Gaylord shall cause such noxious

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and poisonous weeds to be cut and removed, or the dead grass and brush to be cut and removed, or the grass to be mowed, as the case may be. The cost of such cutting and/or removal shall be a lien against the real property and shall be report to the Assessing Officer of the City, who shall assess the cost against the real property involved. The owner in whose name the property appears upon the local tax assessment record shall be notified of the amount of such cost by first class mail at the address shown on the record; if he fails to pay the same within thirty (30) days after mailing by the Assessor or the Clerk of the notice of the amount thereof, the Assessor shall add the same to the next tax roll of the City of Gaylord and the same shall be collected in the same manner and in all respects as provided by law for the collection of taxes by the City of Gaylord. (ord. eff. Aug. 14, 1989)

(Sec. 5604, 5605. Reserved for future use.)

35.105 Sec. 5606. **PENALTIES.**

In addition to the foregoing, any person who shall violate any provision of this Ordinance, shall upon conviction thereof be guilty of a misdemeanor, subject to all penalties as provided in Section 1104 (12.028). (ord. eff. Aug. 14, 1989)