ORDINANCE VIOLATION ADVISEMENT OF RIGHTS

An Ordinance Violation is a civil proceeding and is not criminal in nature. As such, an explanation of your rights is provided, but it is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all rights:

- 1. You have the right to a trial by court or jury, provided that you must file a written request for a jury trial within 10 days of a denial or such right will be deemed waived.
- 2. You have the right to be represented by an attorney of your choosing; however, you are not entitled to a court-appointed attorney even if you are indigent.
- 3. You have the right to hear and cross-examine all witnesses.
- 4. You have the right to call your own witnesses and the Court will subpoena witnesses on your behalf.
- 5. You DO NOT have the right to remain silent and you will be required to testify if you are called as a witness or your deposition is taken.
- 6. The City/Town is required to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that you committed the alleged violation.
- 7. If you are tried and judgment is entered against you, you have the right to appeal the decision.
- 8. Because this proceeding is civil in nature, you are not subject to incarceration due to a finding that you committed the alleged violation; however, you can be incarcerated for failing to appear or for contempt of court.
- 9. If you proceed with a trial, the Judge or Jury will determine not only whether it was proven by a preponderance of the evidence that you committed the alleged violation, but also will determine the amount of the fine, which may be lower or higher than the amount on the schedule included on the right column of this Page.
- 10. A Judgment of up to \$250, which is in addition to court costs, can be entered against you if you are found by a Judge or Jury to have committed the alleged violation.
- 11. If you are found to have committed the alleged violation, the judgment will be certified to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, it will become a part of your permanent driving record, and you could be suspended or face other civil consequences as a result.

GREENE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT INSTRUCTIONS TO PERSONS RECEIVING ORDINANCE VIOLATION TICKET:

- 1. Read the ticket.
- 2. If you have questions about the option of entering into an Ordinance Violation Deferral Agreement with the City or Town who filed the ordinance violation, please contact Lucas M. Rudisill, THE ROWE LAW FIRM, LLC, at 812.847.4751 x4.
- 3. If you wish to DENY the violation: Call Greene Superior Court at 812.384.2492, and a trial date will be scheduled. If you fail to appear at the trial, it may be conducted in your absence.
- 4. If you wish to ADMIT the violation and do not wish to enter into a Deferral Agreement, bring a copy of the ticket or mail a copy of the ticket to the Clerk of the Greene Superior Court, along with payment of \$168.50.
- 5. The \$168.50 is applied to pay \$118.50 in Court Costs and the \$50 Judgment assessed per Ordinance due to the violation.
- 6. All payments must be made via cash, money order, cashier's check, or certified check. NO PERSONAL CHECKS will be accepted. If you fail to pay the ticket or to complete the Ordinance Violation Deferral Agreement and pay the Deferral Program Fee, your driver's license WILL BE SUSPENDED.

PLEASE MAKE ALL PAYMENTS TO:

CLERK, GREENE SUPERIOR COURT PO BOX 229 BLOOMFIELD, IN 47424 PHONE: 812.384.8532 HOURS: 8:00a – 4:00p, Monday-Friday

COST OF DEFERRAL PROGRAM: \$188.00

COST OF ADMITTING VIOLATION: \$168.50