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ORDINANCE ON SMOKING

LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND DECLARATIONS. The Town Board of New Hope determines that the smoking of tobacco, or any other weed or plant, is a positive danger to the health and material annoyance, inconvenience, discomfort and health hazard to those who are present in confined spaces. That smoking indoors adversely affects, among other things, health, safety, comfort, employee production, and building expense.

The Town Board of New Hope further adopts the findings of the federal agencies such as the Environmental Protection Agency and the Surgeon General of the United States which indicate that smoking contributes to health problems of city employees and members of the public exposed to indoor smoke, both directly through deliberate use of smoking materials and indirectly, to nonsmokers, through involuntary inhalation of smoke in the air.

- (1) Definition. "Smoking" means the combustion of any cigar, cigarette, pipe or other similar article using any form of tobacco, weed, or any other lighted smoking item or equipment.
- (2) Regulation of Smoking. No person may smoke indoors at any time in any town owned building except any building leased to a third party tenant, whose lease does not contain the prohibitory provisions of this ordinance at the execution of such lease.
- (3) Posting of Prohibitory Signs. Except where other signs are required by law, wherever in this code smoking is prohibited, conspicuous signs shall be posted so stating in places so as to give notice to the general public.

Dated this 18th day of January, 2006

Passed: _____
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Approved by:
Attest

Daniel Zabocowich, Ch.
Michelle Raddatz, Clerk