

TOWN OF SCHERERVILLE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

ORDINANCE NO: 2022

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREA (DORA) IN THE DOWNTOWN DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF SCHERERVILLE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES AND TOWN CODE SECTIONS, OR PARTS THEREOF, IN CONFLICT HEREWITH, AND ALL MATTER RELATED HERETO.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana (hereinafter, the "Town Council"), has reviewed and concluded that it is in the best interest of the Town pursuant to Indiana Code §7.1-3-31 ("DORA Statute") to establish, by this Ordinance, a Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (hereinafter, "DORA") in which retailer permittees (i.e., restaurants and businesses that sell alcohol for on-premises consumption) and temporary permittees located in the DORA, allow persons who are at least twenty-one (21) years of age to leave their premises with open containers of alcoholic beverages and be permitted to consume those beverages within the boundaries of the DORA; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has reviewed the provisions of the DORA Standards and DORA Statute, and has determined that such establishment and implementation conformance with applicable law, including the provisions of this establishing Ordinance, can facilitate economic development and benefit the municipality by providing an inviting atmosphere for visitors to patronize restaurants and other businesses within the DORA, whether during regular business hours or as part of a festival or special event; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana, Town Council, based upon its review and analysis, as well as Staff recommendation, now seeks to establish a DORA in accordance with applicable Indiana law and pursuant to the terms of this Ordinance, as such initiative a program is in the best interest of the residents of the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SCHERERVILLE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE: Creation of the DORA, Map, and Zoning. The DORA to be known as the "Downtown DORA", is hereby created in the Town of Schererville, with the boundaries shown on the map attached hereto as Exhibit "A", which establishment is consistent with the Town's Zoning Ordinance.

SECTION TWO: Boundaries of the DORA. The following streets and addresses constitute the boundaries of the Downtown DORA, the Area of which is shown on the attached map, Exhibit "A":

Beginning at the corner of Risch Dr. and Francisca St. and heading east to Northwest corner of Schererville Town Hall (10 East Joliet St.) and extending to the south to the southwest corner of the Schererville Town Hall, then east along the building frontage to the Pennsy Greenway Trail, then southeast along the Pennsy Greenway Trail including the Veterans Memorial (25 East Joliet

St.), then west inclusive of the sidewalk along Joliet St., including the entire 21 East Joliet St. parcel then west to intersection of Joliet St. and Francisca St., then north to the point of beginning.

SECTION THREE: Location(s) of Designated Permittees and Proposed Vendors. The Designated Permittees and Vendors, as those terms are defined by Indiana Code §7.1-3-31-2 and -5, respectively, are as follows:

- 21 E. Joliet Street, Schererville, IN - GJGG Inc. DBA - Greg's Place
License #: RR4535253
- 48 E. Joliet Street, Schererville, IN - G&G DBA-Schererville Lounge
License #: RR4537790

Any of the above may be located anywhere within the DORA as referenced in attached Exhibit "A".

SECTION FOUR: Signage. Each Designated Permittee and Vendor shall post their Permit. The Town shall post and install signage at each entry point of the DORA. In addition, the Town shall post and install signs on all trash receptacles within the DORA.

SECTION FIVE: Containers. Containers must be clear containers, clearly labeled "Schererville DORA". Containers shall be discarded prior to leaving the DORA.

SECTION SIX: Dates and Hours of Operation. The DORA shall only be operational during the following dates and times:

- Fridays and Saturdays in the month of August from 12:00 pm to 12:00 am

SECTION SEVEN: Public Safety Plan. In the event of an emergency, as determined by the Chief of Police, or other authorized Town or State official, the following public safety plan shall apply:

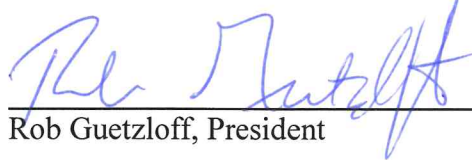
DORA activities shall be suspended until such time the Chief of Police determines that DORA activities can safely resume.


SECTION EIGHT: If any section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect any other section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION NINE: That this Ordinance shall take effect, and be in full force and effect, from and after its passage by the Town Council of the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana, and is subject to the approval of the Indiana Alcohol & Tobacco Commission.

ALL OF WHICH IS PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 9 DAY OF April, 2025, BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SCHERERVILLE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA.

TOWN OF SCHERERVILLE, LAKE COUNTY,
INDIANA, TOWN COUNCIL


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Town of Schererville Downtown “DORA”
Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area

Exhibit “A”

