ORDINANCE NO. 2016-7

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON COUNTY OF HENNEPIN STATE OF MINNESOTA

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE CITY CEMETERY, AMENDING SECTION 5.19 OF CHAPTER 5 PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PROPERTY OF THE CITY CODE RELATING TO COLUMBARIUM

The City Council of the City of Bloomington, Minnesota ordains:

Section 1. That Chapter 5 of the City Code is hereby amended by deleting those words that are contained in brackets [] and adding those words that are underlined, to read as follows:

SEC. 5.19. COLUMBARIUM.

(a) **Definitions.**

Columbarium (Columbaria) - an above ground repository composed of niches designed for the purpose of interring the Cremains of the deceased.

[Columbarium Niche(s) - an individual recess within a columbarium, either single or double, designated to contain cremains of the deceased within a cremation urn or container.]

Columbarium Individual Niche(s) - an individual recess within a columbarium, designated to contain the cremains of one deceased within a single cremation urn or container; or the cremains of two deceased within two cremation urns or containers.

[Columbarium Companion Niche(s) - an individual recess within a columbarium, designated to contain the cremains of two deceased within two cremation urns or containers.]

Columbarium Niche Front - the granite piece covering the columbarium niche.

Columbarium Niche Name [Plaque] <u>Inscription</u> – [the plaque placed on] the front of the columbarium niche [embossed] engraved with the name of the deceased and other pertinent information.

Cremains - the ashes of a cremated human body.

(b) **General.**

- (1) Ownership of burial space in a freestanding columbarium shall be considered the same as ownership of other cemetery property and shall descend according to state law.
- (2) Occupied columbarium niches must be marked by an inscription on the niche front [columbarium niche name plaque], as best determined by the Cemetery Custodian. No other additional ornamentation will be allowed on or in front of the columbarium.
- (3) [Purchase of a columbarium niche shall include a bronze niche front plaque, which] Inscription shall be uniform in style [and size] on each columbarium, as determined by the Cemetery Custodian. The City Clerk's Office is responsible for arranging [the bronze plaque] this service.
- (4) The City is not responsible for unauthorized cremains deposited on the Cemetery.
- (5) Flower holders, vases or other fixtures shall not be allowed to be attached to the columbarium.
- (6) With the exception of the interment of a second cremains within a [companion] niche, any opening of a sealed niche shall be considered a disinterment and applicable fees will be charged.

Passed and adopted this 2nd day of May, 2016.

Mayor

ATTEST:

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APPROVED:

City Attorney