# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF MILLS RIVER

## ARTICLE NO. 1 AUTHORITY

This Ordinance is enacted by the Town Council of Mills River, North Carolina pursuant to Chapter 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes, particularly Article 18. Town Council does hereby ordain and enact into law the following amendments to the Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Mills River.

# ARTICLE II AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE

The Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Mills River as enacted effective March 1, 2004, is amended to add the following revisions to the following articles, sections and subsections:

#### **SIGNS**

- 1. Section 154.254. DEFINITIONS.
  - A. Section 154.254 Definitions. Amend to add definition:
    - 1. Residential Subdivision Bulletin Sign. Any sign with changeable copy, placed within the main entrance to a residential subdivision. The purpose of the sign is to post messages for residents of that subdivision and the sign shall not be used for advertising of any product or service.

#### 2. Section 154.255. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

- A. Section 154.255. Amend to add:
  - (H) "Residential Subdivision Bulletin Sign. One (1) Residential Subdivision Bulletin Sign shall be permitted for each residential subdivision that has a private gate limiting access to residents and guests at the entrance to a public road. The sign must meet the following restrictions:
  - 1) The changeable copy must be limited to 32 square feet excluding the supporting structure and not greater than 10 feet in height.
  - 2) The sign must be placed a minimum of 50 feet within the subdivision from the Main Entrance.
  - 3) The sign may be placed within the right of way as long as proper permission is granted by the entity maintaining the said right of way
  - 4) Copy on the sign will be changed no more than once per day.

- 5) The sign shall be completely screened from view from any public road outside of the confines of that subdivision.
- 6) The sign shall not be illuminated between the hour of 10:00 PM and 5:00 AM."

Except as specifically amended herein, the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Mills River shall remain valid and in full force and effect.

### ARTICLE III SEVERABILITY

Each section and subsection of said ordinance as adopted herein constitutes a separate and distinct provision. Whenever possible, each provision of such Ordinance shall be interpreted in a manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law. In the event that any provision so such Ordinance shall finally be determined by competent court or tribunal to be unlawful or unenforceable, such provision shall be deemed severed from such Ordinance but every other provision of the Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

### ARTICLE NO. IV EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance and the Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Mills River, North Carolina shall take effect and be effective at 12:01AM on September 25, 2009, and shall be in full force and effect at all times thereafter until duly amended.

**ADOPTED AND PASSED** by the Town Council of the Town of Mills River, North Carolina, this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009.

Roger D. Snyder, Mayor

ATTEST By:

Susan L. Powell, CMC

Town Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Sharon B. Alexander, Attorney