VILLAGE OF BOWERSTON ORDINANCE NO. 332

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE GROWTH OF NOXIOUS WEEDS WITHIN THE VILLAGE LIMITS

WHEREAS, the Council for the Village of Bowerston, Harrison County, Ohio has determined that it is in the interest of the community and for reasons of safety and welfare of its residents that an ordinance be passed regulating the growth of noxious weeds within the Village, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the Village of Bowerston as follows:

SECTION 1.

(A) Any person owning or having charge of land within the Village, shall keep such property free and clear from all noxious weeds and rank vegetation and shall be required to cut all such weeds and vegetation on the lots owned or controlled by him at least five (5) times per year according to the following schedule: Once before May 1, once between May 1 and May 31, once between June 1 and June 31, once between July 1 and July 31, once between August 1 and September 31.

(B) Noxious weeds and rank vegetation shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

(1) Any weeds such as jimson, burdock, ragweed, thistle, cocklebur, or other weeds of a like kind;

(2) Bushes of the species of tall, common or European barberry, further known as Berberis Vulgaris or its horizontal varieties;

(3) Any weeds, grass, or plants, other than trees, bushes, flowers, or other ornamental plants, growing to a height exceeding six (6) inches.

(C) Upon written information that noxious weeds are growing on lands in the Village and are about to spread or mature seeds, the Mayor shall cause written notice to be served on the owner, lessee, agent, or tenant having charge of such land, notifying him that noxious weeds are growing on such lands and that they must be cut and destroyed within five (5) days after service of such notice.

(D) If such noxious weeds as defined in subsection (B) hereof are not eliminated within the five (5) day period, the owner, lessee, agent, or tenant of such property shall be cited with violation of this section, and shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth (4^{th}) degree

Passed this 15	<u>th</u> day of _	October	_, 2002.
Passed this 19	th_day of_	November	<u>,</u> 2002.
Passed this 17	th day of	December	_, 2002.

Attest: é RUN DON MORIN, CLERK Approved as to Form: JASON L. JACKSON, SOLICITOR

Approved: un MAYOR HARMÓN LING