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The City of CITRUS HEIGHTS is committed to providing high quality, economical, responsive city services to our community.

December 8, 2022

(Business Name/Address)

Re: Newly Adopted Shopping Cart Ordinance

Dear Business Owner/Manager:

On November 10, 2022, the City of Citrus Heights adopted an ordinance to establish an abatement and enforcement program pertaining to the unauthorized possession and abandonment of shopping carts. This ordinance is one tool in a robust toolbox being built to combat blight and improve community image.

The newly adopted ordinance is applicable to every business that utilizes shopping or other types of carts on their premises. The ordinance, in conjunction with State law (California Business and Professions Code, Section 22435), has the following key components:

- Businesses shall permanently affix signage to each cart indicating the owner of cart, responsible party contact information and a statement that the removal of shopping carts from the store's premises without the owner's authorization is a violation of state and local law.

- Businesses with inventories of more than 5 carts shall submit a documented cart protection and retrieval plan to the city by February 28, 2023. There is no fee to submit the plan.

Please find enclosed information to assist in the implementation and compliance with the regulations. To allow businesses to focus on the holiday season, the deadline for implementation has been extended until February 28, 2023.

Enclosure: Information/Timeline

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