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SANITATION SUPPLIES IN PUBLIC RESTROOMS

AN ORDINANCE TO ADD CHAPTER 74 TO TITLE VI OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ANN ARBOR WHICH SHALL BE ENTITLED "GENERAL HEALTH" AND TO ADD SECTIONS 6:650 – 6:653 THERETO.

The City of Ann Arbor ordains:

Section 1. That Chapter 74 be added to Title VI of the City's Municipal Code of Ordinances, which shall be entitled "General Health."

Section 2. That Sections 6:650 – 6:653 be added to Chapter 74 of Title IV to read as follows:

Section 6:650 – Intent and Purpose.

City Council finds that soap, toilet paper, and menstrual products are all instrumental to the general health and welfare of the public. City Council also finds that ensuring that such products are readily available in public restrooms will help prevent the spread of germs, reduce the transmission of bloodborne pathogens, and improve the general public welfare.

Section 6:651 – Definitions

- (1) "Public Restroom" means a public toilet facility that is required by the Michigan Plumbing Code or other applicable law to be made available to customers, patrons, visitors, employees, licensees, invitees, students, or other members of the public.
- (2) "Sanitation Products" means soap, toilet paper, menstrual pads, and tampons.

Section 6:652 – Requirements

- (1) The individual or entity responsible for managing or maintaining a Public Restroom shall provide all Sanitation Products at no cost to users of that Public Restroom. All Sanitation Products required by this section shall be placed within the Public Restroom and be openly accessible to users of that Public Restroom.

- (2) A provision of this ordinance shall not apply to mosques, temples, churches, and other places of worship for which compliance with the provision would conflict with the entity's sincerely held religious beliefs, practices, or observances.

Section 6:653 – Violation and Enforcement

- (1) Violations of this section shall constitute a civil infraction punishable by fine of no more than \$100. Community Standards officers shall be responsible for enforcing this section.
- (2) The requirements of sections 6:650 – 6:653 of City Code shall take effect January 1, 2022.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 2022.

As Amended and Adopted by Ann Arbor City Council on Second Reading on November 15, 2021.