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ORDINANCE NO. 98-12

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE KENT COUNTY BUILDING CODE SUPPLEMENT TO THE CABO ONE AND TWO FAMILY DWELLING CODE/1995 ADOPTED OCTOBER 28, 1997.

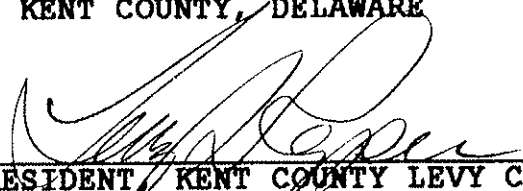
THE LEVY COURT OF KENT COUNTY DELAWARE HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Kent County hereby adopts three (3) amendments to the Kent County Building Code Supplement to the CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code/1995 - copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein.

Section 2. This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to the powers conferred upon the Levy Court of Kent County, Delaware, in the Delaware Code, Title 9, Section 4414.

Section 3. If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid for any reason whatsoever, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance which shall continue in full force and effect; and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared as severable.

ADOPTED BY LEVY COURT
OF KENT COUNTY, DELAWARE


PRESIDENT, KENT COUNTY LEVY COURT

ATTEST:

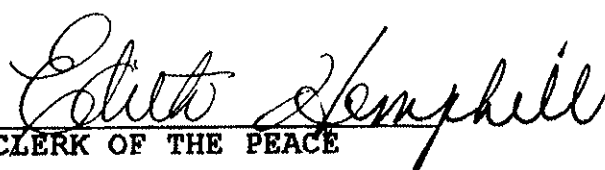

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EXHIBIT A

SECTION R-303 FOOTINGS

403.1 General. All exterior walls shall be supported on continuous solid masonry or concrete footings, wood foundations, or other approved structural systems which shall be of sufficient design to support safely the loads imposed as determined from the character of the soil and, except where erected on solid rock or otherwise protected from frost. Minimum thickness of a footing shall be the nominal width of the wall. In any case, footing thickness shall be a minimum of 8". The nominal width of the footing shall be twice the nominal thickness of the wall. On a two-story section of a building, footings are to be a minimum of 24" wide and 10" thick. All footings to be reinforced with a minimum of two (2) #4 bars wired together with 15" overlap. All other provisions shall be provided as set forth by this Code.

Exception:

1. Footings for single story decks shall be three (3) times the width of the vertical support posts in width, shall be 24" below grade and shall have 8" of concrete.
2. Footings for pole buildings shall be 36" below grade and the poles shall be placed on a 4"x8"x16" solid concrete block.

SECTION D105 BARRIER REQUIREMENTS

D105.2 Outdoor swimming pool. An outdoor swimming pool, including an in-ground, aboveground, or on-ground pool, hot tub or spa shall be provided with a barrier which shall comply with the following:

1. The top of the barrier shall be at least 48 inches (1219 mm) above grade measured on the side of the barrier which faces away from the swimming pool. The maximum vertical clearance between grade and the bottom of the barrier shall be 2 inches (51 mm) or 4 inches (102 mm) where topography requires measured on the side of the barrier which faces away from the swimming pool. Where the top of the pool structure is above grade, such as an aboveground pool, the barrier may be at ground level, such as the pool structure, or mounted on

top of the pool structure. Where the barrier is mounted on top of the pool structure, the maximum vertical clearance between the top of the pool structure and the bottom of the barrier shall be 4 inches (102 mm).

SECTION 315 HANDRAILS AND GUARDRAILS

315.4 Guardrail opening limitations. Required guardrails on open sides of stairways, raised floor areas, balconies and porches shall have intermediate rails or ornamental closures which do not allow passage of an object 4 inches (102 mm) or more in diameter. Any installed guardrail constructed with intermediate rails, spindal, or ornamental closures shall comply with the requirements of this section.

Exception: The triangular openings formed by the riser, tread and bottom rail of a guard at the open side of a stairway may be of such a size that a sphere 6 inches (153 mm) cannot pass through.