

**RURAL AND AGRICULTURAL HOME OWNERS
ASSUMPTION OF RISK ASSESSMENT**

(2) Parcel Number _____ (3) Legal Description _____

The area in which you propose to build a dwelling is located in or near property, which is used or zoned for agricultural purposes. This means that land, which you are about to purchase or upon which you intend to erect a dwelling, is located in an area where land is used for the purpose of raising livestock, raising crops, producing agricultural commodities, and various other agricultural purposes. You are likely to be exposed to odors, sights, chemicals, noises, conditions, and activities, which are prevalent in an agricultural zone. Such things include, but are not limited to:

- (1) odors associated with animal excrement and waste;
- (2) the sight, sound and odor of tractors, grain dryers, agricultural equipment and machinery operating at any time of the day, including night;
- (3) the use of herbicides, pesticides, and other chemicals for agricultural purposes;
- (4) the sight and sound of sheep, pigs, cattle, horses, and other livestock;
- (5) the sight, sound and odor of manure or other waste products being spread on or injected into nearby fields;
- (6) slow moving vehicles on roadways, including tractors, combines and other heavy equipment;
- (7) cattle or other livestock getting loose from their pens or fields and possibly entering upon your land;
- (8) mud, manure, fertilizer, grain and other agricultural products on roadways as a result of said agricultural equipment moving down those roadways; and
- (9) barbed wire, fence lines, and other agricultural structures that need to be maintained.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED AND UNDERSTAND that your presence in such an agricultural area or zone will expose you and your family to many of these conditions. These conditions and activities may be offensive, inconvenient, distracting and disturbing at times. You may also not agree with the nature of the farming process, size of the farm, or the treatment of animals. However, you agree to waive any objections to the continued agricultural activities and conditions, which may surround your property and which may have a negative impact on your lifestyle and land values. You further waive any objections to the nature of the agricultural activities and conditions as long as those agricultural activities are performed in a husband-like and responsible manner.

You agree and understand that agriculture is a vital part of the rural economy and that your decision to erect a dwelling in a rural or agricultural zone should not have a negative

impact on the continued agricultural operations, which are vital to the Mower County economy. By building a dwelling in an agricultural area and zone, you, your family members, successors and assigns, agree to the continued agricultural activities and waive any further or future objection to those conditions and activities.

I certify that I have read and understand the above notice and with this knowledge do hereby assume the risks, inconveniences, and potential negative impacts discussed above.

Date

Subscribed to and sworn to before me
this ____ of _____, 20__.

Notary Public

Note: Form must be signed, notarized, recorded and kept on file with Mower County Environmental Services.