

**ORDINANCE NO. 17-03**  
**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD**  
**COUNTY OF SOMERSET**  
**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING, REVISING AND SUPPLEMENTING CERTAIN  
SECTIONS OF THE NORTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH CODE  
BY ENACTING A NEW SECTION OF THE NORTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH  
CODE AS TO CHAPTER 3, “POLICE REGULATIONS”, MOST NOTABLY  
CREATING A NEW SECTION 17, ENTITLED “DO NOT KNOCK LIST”**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of North Plainfield wishes to amend the provisions of the current Code of the Borough of North Plainfield.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Borough amends, revises and supplements the Borough Code of the Borough of North Plainfield as to Chapter 3, “Police Regulations” by creating a new Section 17, entitled “DO NOT KNOCK LIST” as follows:

**Section 3-17 - DO NOT KNOCK LIST.**

**1. Preparation of the Do Not Knock List for the Borough of North Plainfield.**

The Borough Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield shall prepare and maintain a list of those residents who notify the Borough Clerk that soliciting and canvassing is not permitted at their premises by filling out a form and filing it with the Borough Clerk. Upon the adoption of this Section, the Borough Clerk shall publicize its adoption and shall prepare the required form that shall be available on the Borough’s website or at the Borough Clerk’s Office during normal business hours, Mondays through Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., except legal holidays.

**2. Submission of Do Not Knock List to Chief of Police.**

The Borough Clerk shall submit the Do Not Knock List to the Chief of Police on a quarterly basis and the Do Not Knock List shall be distributed to applicants seeking a license to solicit or canvass pursuant to the provisions of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of North Plainfield. The licensee shall not solicit or canvass at any address that appears on the Do Not Knock List.

### **3. Updating the Do Not Knock List.**

On a quarterly basis of each year, the Borough Clerk shall update the Do Not Knock List. The updated Do Not Knock List shall then be forwarded to the Chief of Police for distribution to solicitors and/or canvassers.

### **4. No Solicitation Placards.**

- a. Each resident who has registered with the Borough Clerk pursuant to this Section may request that the Borough Clerk authorize the placing of a placard in a conspicuous place on the resident's property stating the following:

"No solicitation is permitted pursuant to Section 3-17 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of North Plainfield."

- b. This placard shall be no more than two (2) inches by six (6) inches.
- c. This placard shall be supplied by the Borough Clerk to each resident enrolling on the Do Not Knock List at the Borough's actual cost.

### **5. Penalties.**

Any solicitor or canvasser violating the provisions of this Section shall be punishable by fine and/or imprisonment as prescribed in Section 1-5 of the Revised General Ordinance of the Borough of North Plainfield entitled "General Penalty," as well as the loss of the license to solicit or canvas."

### **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT:**

- A. Any ordinance or portions of ordinances that are inconsistent with this Ordinance shall be updated as to their inconsistencies only.
- B. If any provision or paragraph of this Ordinance shall be held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect the other provisions or paragraphs of this Ordinance, except so far as the provisions or paragraphs so declared invalid shall be separable from the remainder or any portion thereof.

C. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage, twenty (20) calendar days following action or inaction by the Mayor as provided by law or an override of a mayoral veto by the Council, whichever is applicable, and publication in accordance with law, unless a resolution is adopted, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:69A-181(b)*, declaring an emergency and providing that this Ordinance shall take effect at an earlier date.

INTRODUCED: February 14, 2017  
PASSED: February 14, 2017  
PUBLISHED: February 17, 2017  
ADOPTED: February 27, 2017

ROLL CALL: AYES: Miller, Singleterry, Stabile, La Ronde  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: Merrill, Righetti, Schaefer

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

The above is a true copy of the Ordinance adopted by the Borough of North Plainfield on 27 February, 2017.

ATTEST: BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

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Richard K. Phoenix, RMC  
Borough Clerk  
Borough of North Plainfield

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Lawrence La Ronde, Council President  
Date signed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2017

Date signed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2017

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Michael Giordano, Mayor  
Date signed: \_\_\_\_\_ 2017