



MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP APPOINTED OFFICIALS ETHICS STATEMENT

I, _____, having been appointed to a position on the _____ for Meridian Township, acknowledge the duties and responsibilities of my position and commit to perform those duties and responsibilities as follows:

1. I recognize that my primary role as a public official will be to serve the public interests of Meridian Township.
2. I will continuously strive to achieve and exhibit high standards of integrity and professionalism to promote public respect for the Township's governmental processes.
3. I will avoid participating in any public deliberation and decision-making process whenever it becomes apparent that my continued participation will present a conflict of interest or give rise to the appearance of impropriety.
4. I will not divulge confidential information, which I acquire in the course of my public service to any unauthorized person before the time the release of that information is properly authorized.
5. I will not benefit financially from confidential information which I have obtained, or may obtain by reason of my position or authority.
6. I will not accept employment or render services for a private or public interest if either is incompatible or in conflict with the discharge of my official duties.
7. I will not participate in any governmental deliberation or action that will directly impact a business entity in which I have a financial or personal interest.
8. I will refuse any personal gift, gratuity, favor or other tangible or intangible item if its receipt could be reasonably perceived as influencing my decisions or actions as a public official.
9. I will support and defend the laws of Meridian Township, the State of Michigan and the United States of America.
10. I acknowledge that my failure to fulfill any of the foregoing commitments may result in my removal from the authority on which I serve.

Dated: _____

Signature: _____

Signature: _____
Township Clerk/Appointed Official