

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-08.58

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MIDFIELD, ALABAMA TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARIES WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF MIDFIELD PURSUANT TO ALA. CODE, 1975, §20-2A-51

WHEREAS, during the 2021 legislative session the Alabama Legislature passed Act No. 21-450 legalizing and creating a regulatory framework for medical cannabis and,

WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature made a number of findings of fact including:

"Medical research indicates that the administration of medical cannabis can successfully treat various medical conditions and alleviate the symptoms of various medical conditions."

"There are residents in Alabama suffering from a number of medical conditions whose symptoms could be alleviated by the administration of medical cannabis products if used in a controlled setting under supervision of a physician licensed in this state."

"Establishing a program providing for the administration of cannabis derivatives for medical use in this state will not only benefit patients by providing relief to pain and other debilitating symptoms, but also provide opportunities for patients with these debilitating conditions to function and have a better quality of life and provide employment and business opportunities for farmers and other residents of this state and revenue to state and local governments,"; and

WHEREAS, this act requires the governing body of any municipality by ordinance to authorize the operation of the dispensing sites within the corporate limits of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, a dispensary would be required to purchase a business license and pay sales tax to the City of Midfield, thus increasing revenue; and

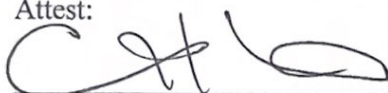
WHEREAS, the City of Midfield wishes to authorize the operation of medical cannabis dispensing sites within the corporate limits of the City of Midfield to assure its citizens can benefit from the medical and economic benefits of medical cannabis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MIDFIELD that, in accordance with Alabama Code § 20-2A-51 a holder of a license granted by the State of Alabama pursuant to Act 21-450 is hereby authorized to operate a medical cannabis dispensing site within the corporate limits of the City of Midfield subject to the provisions of Act 21-450 and any relevant provisions of the code of the City of Midfield.

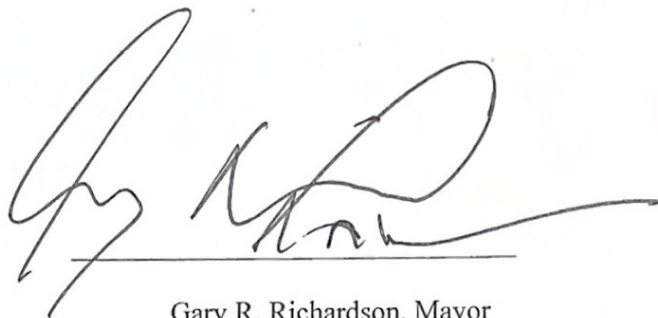
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, any business license or sales tax revenue generated by medical cannabis dispensaries authorized by this ordinance shall be deposited to the general fund of the city. This ordinance shall become effective immediately when published as required by law.

Approved this 24th day Of October, 2022.

Attest:



Courtney Hunter, City Clerk



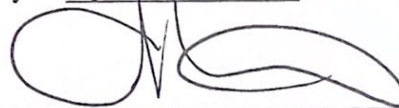
Gary R. Richardson, Mayor

CLERK CERTIFICATION

I, Courtney Hunter, City Clerk of Midfield, Alabama for the sole purpose of administering implementing the above and foregoing Ordinance, is a true and correct copy of Ordinance 2022-08.58, adopted and approved by the City Council of the City of Midfield, Alabama at its Regular Meeting held on the 24th day of October 2022 as same is represented in the Recorded Minutes.

Moreover, I hereby certify that the above foregoing Ordinance was published by Posting same at the following three (3), or more locations: Midfield City Hall, the Midfield Library, the Midfield Post Office and the City of Midfield's website.

Certified and acknowledged on this 25th day of October 2022.



Courtney Hunter, City Clerk