ORDINANCE NO. 160

#### AN ORDINANCE MANDATING THE SWIFT CLEANUP OF PREMISES DAMAGED BY FIRE OR OTHER CALAMITY

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Gifford, Illinois, that:

### SECTION 1.

The maintenance, retention or keeping of any debris, residue or unusable property remaining upon any premises after a fire, storm or other destructive calamity is hereby declared to be a nuisance, the maintenance of which shall constitute a violation on each day the nuisance is maintained which violation is punishable by a fine for each day of violation in an amount not to exceed \$500.00.

#### SECTION 2.

Prosecution for a violation of this ordinance against any person, firm or corporation who violates this ordinance or prosecution for a violation of this ordinance against any person, firm or corporation who assists in the maintenance of the nuisance by any action or lack of action, where joinder is discretionary in the prosecuting authority, may be initiated only after the prosecuting authority first serves upon the offender or offenders a written notice of the alleged violation which notice may be given to the offender by registered or certified mail or by the service of process as by law provided for. Such notice shall set forth the address of the property, describe in general terms the nuisance sought to be abated and set forth the date by which the nuisance is to be abated and enclose a copy of this ordinance. Should the nuisance not then be timely abated, prosecution shall then be commenced by prosecution for a violation of this ordinance or by a suit for injunction or both.

#### SECTION 3.

If after the provisions of this ordinance are sought to be enforced and the nuisance is yet maintained, the municipal authorities may enter the premises, abate the nuisance, the cost of which shall be the obligation of any owner or owners to fully pay.

## SECTION 4.

The nullification of any portion of this ordinance shall not be deemed to have nullified the whole ordinance, the provision of the ordinance being severable.

ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees and the Mayor who approved the same, of the Village of Gifford, Champaign County, Illinois, this  $\underline{\pounds \pounds}$  day of November, 1980.

or GIFFORD, ILLINOIS

ATTEST:

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CLERK OF GIFFORD, ILLINOIS

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CLERK OF GIFFORD, ILLINOIS