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County Register

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Sincerely,

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SECTION 1. Before any person in Fayette County presents for registration an instrument conveying the fee title in real estate (as distinguished from mortgages and deeds of trust), such person shall present such conveyance to the County Tax Assessor who shall note and list in a well-bound book the following data:

The name of the Seller; the name of the Purchaser; the consideration paid; the Civil District of the County; and a description of each tract of land so conveyed by reference to the adjoining landowners.

SECTION 2. The Register of Fayette County is expressly forbidden to record deeds conveying the fee title in real estate (as distinguished from mortgages and deeds of trust) until such instruments have been presented to the County Tax Assessor, the above mentioned data noted by him and his certificate placed thereon that he has examined such deed. The data so obtained by the Tax Assessor shall be used as the basis of his assessment of said tract of land and the charges thereon for the next annual or biennial assessment.

SECTION 3. Before any person in Fayette County presents for registration a plat, the person shall present a duplicate of the plat to the County Tax Assessor. The County Tax Assessor shall maintain a file of all duplicate plats. Said plats shall be used by the Tax Assessor in the assessment of the property described.

The Register of Fayette County is expressly forbidden to record a plat until a duplicate of the plat had been filed with the Tax Assessor. Immediately on receipt of the duplicate plat, the Tax Assessor shall certify to the Register that a duplicate plat has been duly filed with him.

SECTION 4. This Act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Quarterly County Court of Fayette County. Its approval or non-approval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the Quarterly County Court and certified by him to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 5. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this Act, it shall be effective upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective upon being approved as provided in Section 4.

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