

ORDINANCE NO. 98-12

AN ORDINANCE TO BE KNOWN AS THE HERNANDO COUNTY ACCESSIBILITY CODE: PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE FLORIDA ACCESSIBILITY CODE FOR BUILDING CONSTRUCTION, 1997 EDITION (CHAPTER 553, PART V, FLORIDA STATUTES); PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERANCE OF PARTS; PROVIDING FOR VIOLATIONS, REMEDIES, AND PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA.

SECTION 1. ADOPTION OF THE FLORIDA ACCESSIBILITY CODE FOR BUILDING CONSTRUCTION, 1997 EDITION

There is hereby adopted by the County of Hernando, Florida, for the purpose of providing accessibility features and barrier-free design of buildings and facilities for physically handicapped persons in the community, that certain code known as the Florida Accessibility Code for Building Construction, 1997 Edition, as legislated by the State of Florida, Part V, Chapter 553, Florida Statutes. The same is hereby adopted and incorporated herein as fully as if set forth in haec verba and from the date upon which this ordinance shall take effect, the provisions thereof except as otherwise noted herein shall be controlling in the providing of accessibility features and barrier-free design of buildings and facilities for physically handicapped persons within the unincorporated areas of the County.

SECTION 2. SEVERANCE OF PARTS

Should any section, paragraph, sentence, phrase, clause or other part or provision of this ordinance be declared by any court to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof, other than the part declared to be invalid.

SECTION 3. VIOLATIONS, REMEDIES, AND PENALTIES

Any entity violating any provision of this ordinance shall be subject to the penalties provided for herein. The Director or his authorized representative shall issue notice to all entities violating any provision of this ordinance and shall order that such violations cease. Should any entity fail to comply with such notice or order, the Governing Body or its authorized official may institute appropriate action to bring such entity before a court of law for adjudication. Any entity violating any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined or imprisoned or both fined and imprisoned, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 125.69 of the Florida Statutes.

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SECTION 4. INCLUSION IN THE CODE

It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County, Florida, and it is hereby provided that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of Hernando County, Florida. To this end, the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention, and that the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section", "article", or other appropriate designation.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall become effective as provided by law.

ADOPTED in Regular Session this 19th day of May, 1998, A.D.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

Attest Michelle Huntman By Hannah M. Robinson
KAREN NICOLAI, CLERK Deputy Clerk HANNAH M. ROBINSON, CHAIRWOMAN

