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**BREMER COUNTY, IOWA
 APPLICATION TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION AND BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
 FOR HOME OCCUPATION OR HOME INDUSTRY**

Applicant Information:

Name of Applicant:	
Applicant's Address:	
Applicant's Telephone Number:	Alternate Telephone Number (Optional):
Applicant's Email Address (Optional):	Fax Number (Optional):

Property Information:

General Address of Property in Question (parcel number, street address or road address):
Legal Description of Property in Question (Attach, if necessary):

Required Information:

Existing Use of Property (Type of Residential Use):
Existing Zoning Classification:
Proposed Home Occupation or Home Industry:
Reason for the Request:

Ordinance Standards:

The following standards and criteria shall apply to home occupations and/or home industries:

1. The home occupation or home industry shall be clearly incidental and secondary to the use of the dwelling unit as a residence and the property as a residential use.
2. If a home occupation, the use shall be conducted entirely within an existing dwelling unit or if the use is a home industry the use shall be conducted entirely and confined within an accessory detached building(s) located upon the property.
3. The home occupation or home industry shall be conducted by a member(s) of the family residing within the dwelling unit and no more than one (1) non-resident employee.
4. There shall be no evidence of such occupation or industry being conducted within the dwelling unit which is perceivable at or beyond the lot lines by virtue of outside storage, displays, noise, odors, smoke, vibration, heat, dust, electrical disturbances or excessive traffic generation.
5. Water, sewer, and waste disposal shall be subject to approval of the Board of Health.
6. Customer parking shall be provided and be as inconspicuous as possible on the premises.
7. If a home occupation, the proposed use shall occupy less than fifty (50) percent of the floor area of the dwelling unit in which it is located.
8. Signage requirements: Only one (1) identification sign may be displayed upon the lot. Signs may only contain the name of the occupant and the nature of the occupation. Signs shall not contain more than twelve (12) square feet and must meet all provisions of Code Section 5-3-13.02. Signs shall not be illuminated. Signs, if located along a state or federal highway, must obtain an Iowa Department of Transportation permit.

Acknowledgement and Certification of the Applicant and/or Owner:

I/We understand this application and that it, with required attachments, constitutes our entire request and that a decision shall be made based on the Bremer County Comprehensive Land Use Plan and County Ordinances, this application and any attachments, and public input. I/We certify that the information we have provided to the Zoning Administrator, Planning & Zoning Commission, and Board of Supervisors is complete, accurate, and true to the best of our knowledge. Any intentional falsification or change in the information contained in this application or to the attached information shall cause this application to become null and void and any approved home occupation or home industry permit to be revoked.

The fee for the home occupation/home industry application is \$30.00 plus the cost of publications and is renewable annually for a fee of \$15.00.

In order to address any questions or issues that may arise during this process, it is strongly suggested that the applicant/owner be present at all meetings during review of this application. Unanswered questions or unresolved issues caused by the absence of the applicant may cause this application to be rejected.

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If approved by the Board of Supervisors, a home occupation or home industry permit will be valid until the home occupation or home industry ceases, the property changes ownership, or it is revoked by the Board of Supervisors after a public hearing. Because operating a home occupation is a privilege, a previously approved application may be revoked by the Board of Supervisors upon substantiated complaint of the surrounding neighborhood or upon violation of this Ordinance or the Bremer County Code of Ordinances.

If denied by the Board of Supervisors or revoked by the Board of Supervisors, a property owner must wait for a period of one (1) year before reapplying for a home occupation or home industry permit.

Applicant Signature

Owner Signature, if not the applicant

Date: _____

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