EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. <u>516</u> SERIES 2014

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE REGARDING CORRECTIONS TO THE DOLORES MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 1-10 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

WHEREAS, the Town of Dolores is a statutory town and conducts its elections according to C.R.S. 31-10-101 et sec. the Colorado Municipal Election Code; and,

WHEREAS, the provisions regarding elections in the Dolores Municipal Code are currently not in conformity with the state's statutes.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the Dolores Municipal Code before the April 1 election.

NOW THEREFORE, it is ordained by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Dolores that:

- 1.10.020 Affidavit is Required is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced with:
 - 1.10.020 Affidavit Required,
 - 1. No write in vote for any Municipal Office shall be counted unless an affidavit of intent has been filed with the Town Clerk by the person whose name is written in prior to 20 days before the day of the election.
 - 2. The affidavit shall contain the following information:
 - a. That the person desires the office and:
 - b. Is qualified to assume the duties of the office if elected.
- 1.10.30 <u>Enforcement</u> of the Dolores Municipal Code is hereby repealed and replaced with:
 - 1.10.030 Election May be Cancelled When:
 - 1. A municipal election may be canceled if the only matter before the voters is the election of persons to office and if at the close of business on the 19th day before the election there are not more candidates than offices to be filled at such election including candidates filing affidavits of intent.
 - 2. The Town Clerk, if instructed by resolution of the Town Board, either before or after such date, shall cancel the election and by resolution declare the candidates elected. Upon such declaration by resolution the candidates shall be deemed elected.
 - 3. Notice of such cancellation shall be published, if possible, in order to inform electors of the town and notice of such cancellation shall be posted at each polling place and not less than one other public place.

There is hereby added to Chapter 1.10 Municipal Election, of the Dolores Municipal Code:

1.10.040 Appointment of Election Judges.

- 1. The Town Board of Trustees may, by resolution, delegate to the Town Clerk the authority and responsibility to appoint Judges of Election.
- 2. The Governing Body or Town Clerk shall appoint said election judges at least 15 days before a Municipal Election.

Repealer. All orders, bylaws, ordinances, and resolutions of the Town, or parts thereof, inconsistent or in conflict with this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency or conflict.

Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance, the intent being that the same are severable.

Recording and Authentication. Upon adoption hereof, this Ordinance shall be recorded in a book kept for that purpose and shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Mayor and the Town Clerk.

Emergency Declaration. By reason of the fact that the Town must provide regulations for the licensure, operation and location of medical marijuana dispensaries and grow operations in the City which conform to State Statute and regulation, it is hereby declared that an emergency exists and that this Ordinance is necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety and that it shall become effective upon publication following passage.

PUBLIC HEARING: This emergency Ordinance shall be considered for first and final reading on the 10th day of February, 2014 at the hour of 6:30 p.m., in Town Board Chambers in Town Hall, Dolores Colorado, at which time and place all persons may appear and be heard concerning same.

INTRODUCED, READ AND PASSED AS AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees on the 10th day of February, 2014, and ordered published.

TOWN OF DOLORES

Duvall Truelsen, Mayor

ATTESTED:

ana Hancock Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael F. Green, Town Attorney

