



DUNNELLON POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO: Citizen of Dunnellon

FROM: Chief Mike McQuaig

DATE: December 12th, 2022

REFERENCE: House Numbers

Dear Citizen,

First and foremost, I wish you a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. This letter is in reference to posting your house numbers so that they can be seen and clearly read from the street. There are several important reasons to clearly display your house numbers.

- 1.) **Legal.** It is a legal requirement that all streets and houses must have a clear display of their house numbers.
- 2.) **Emergency Services.** Most citizens utilize cellular phones to contact emergency services. You should know that not all cell phones have a GPS tracking system, and even if they do, they often cannot give a precise location. During an emergency, it is imperative that agencies such as the fire department, emergency medical services, and law enforcement can easily find your residence. Clearly posting your house number so that it is legible from the street is crucial to providing the fastest response possible during your time of critical need.
- 3.) **Mail Deliveries.** Your regular mail delivery person may be on vacation or sick and a substitute delivery person may not be able to deliver your mail if your house number is not clearly visible.
- 4.) **Family and Friends.** During the holiday season, many citizens will have guests and family members visiting. It is important that those guests be able to easily locate your residence, especially if they are arrive at night.
- 5.) **Emergency House Repair.** You never know when a plumber or an electrician is needed in an emergency.

These are just a few examples of why it is important to post your house number so that they can be seen from the street.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mike McQuaig', with a large circular flourish at the end.

Chief Mike McQuaig