

**No Solicitation or Leaving of Handbills for  
Commercial, Non-Commercial or Political  
Goods, Services, Surveys or Causes**

Pursuant to Mountain View City Code Sections 3.2 and 3.6, you are hereby notified that the residents of \_\_\_\_\_, Mountain View, California, **OBJECT** to the solicitation in person, or by leaving of handbills or other literature, of any commercial or non-commercial advertisement, offer, survey or solicitation for commercial, non-commercial, or political goods, services, or causes. This notice is being served to you as an individual and on behalf of your business or non-profit organization.

This notice is sufficient to express the residents' objection; and you or any members of your business or non-profit organization are prohibited from returning. Violations will be subject to civil and criminal remedies as provided by law for trespass and nuisance. A copy of this notice will be provided to the City Attorney's Office.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ By: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Property Owner

**Mountain View City Code**

**SEC. 3.6. - Distributing, etc., on premises without owner's consent prohibited.**

*No person shall distribute, deposit, place, throw, scatter or cast any commercial or noncommercial handbill upon any private premises when the owner or occupant of said premises has expressed an objection to such distribution, depositing, placement, throwing, scattering or casting; nor shall any person so distribute, deposit, place, throw, scatter or cast any such handbill without securing or otherwise preventing such handbill from being blown or drifted about such premises or elsewhere.*

**SEC. 3.2. - Purposes of chapter.**

The purposes of this chapter are specifically declared to be as follows:

- a. To protect the people against the unlawful activities or operations of dissolute persons of criminal habits or tendencies, representing themselves as handbill distributors, by requiring the registration of all such handbill distributors, together with the names of their employers, and by regulating the business of handbill and advertising distribution through the imposition of reasonable license fees. [*crime prevention*]
- b. **To protect local residents against trespassing** by handbill distributors upon the private property of such residents if they do not wish to be solicited by such persons or do not desire to receive handbills or advertising matter. [*nuisance*]
- c. To protect the people against the health and safety menace and the expense incident to the littering of the streets and public places by the promiscuous and uncontrolled distribution of advertising matter and commercial handbills. [littering]
- d. To protect the people against the menace to their property ***during their absence*** therefrom due to the unlawful activities or operations of dissolute persons of criminal habits or tendencies, ***made aware of the absence of the people from their premises by the accumulation*** of advertising matter and handbills during such absence. [crime prevention]
- e. To preserve to the people their constitutional right to receive and disseminate information not restricted under the ordinary rules of decency and good morals and public order, ***by distinguishing between the nuisance created by the promiscuous distribution of advertising and commercial circulars and the right to deliver commercial and noncommercial handbills to all who are willing to receive the same.***

(Ord. No. 175.481, 6/30/58.)