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To Whom It May Concern:

On August 11th, 2014, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield approved Ordinance 14-33 amending Chapter 430 of the Town Code, which governs foreclosed/abandoned properties. In an effort to reduce crime, fires, blight and other negative effects caused by vacant and abandoned properties, the Township is informing all mortgagees who hold a mortgage for property located in Bloomfield that they are required to register each foreclosed/abandoned property with the Town.

The owner of any vacant property as defined herein shall, within 60 days after the building becomes vacant property or within 30 days after assuming ownership of the vacant property, whichever is later, file a registration statement for each such property. The owner shall notify the Bloomfield Health & Human Services Department within 30 days of any change in the registration information by filing an amended registration statement.

Owners of foreclosed/abandoned properties will need to fill out a registration form and pay an initial registration fee of \$500 which shall remain valid for six months from the date of application. **A separate registration form is required for each property.** The registration must be renewed every six months at a fee of \$250 unless a violation exists. Code violations are treated as separate offenses with their own sets of fines. Registration forms are available on the Township of Bloomfield's website and at Town Hall, Room 111. Completed forms and fees should be returned to:

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After filing a registration statement, update, or renewal of a registration statement, the owner of any vacant/abandoned property shall provide access to the Township to conduct an inspection of the building to determine compliance with the Municipal Code, during the period covered by the initial registration or any subsequent renewal.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at (973) 680-4024. Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

Karen Lore
Director Health & Welfare



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To prevent disease and promote physical and mental well being through policy development, disease detection, prevention, education, and enforcement; in a culturally competent manner that ensures the highest quality of life for the residents we serve.