

MEDIA RELEASE – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 31, 2017

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RE: Royal Inn Motel Condemned

The **Royal Inn Motel** (10900 W 8 Mile Rd, Ferndale, MI 48220) is located within the limits of the Charter Township of Royal Oak. The Royal Inn Motel is being condemned for a lack of maintenance and livability standards and additional violations.

Under the International Property Maintenance Code adopted by the Township, buildings must meet certain standards to maintain livability. When living conditions fall below the acceptable level of health and general safety, the Township must take action to protect those affected. The Royal Inn has not maintained the premises to minimum code, has 17 fire code violations, and 33 building code violations. There are life safety issues that the owner has not addressed in a timely manner and cannot be further postponed without endangering the lives of residents.

As of today, August 31, 2017, the Royal Inn Motel will be posted as condemned and the residents of the Royal Inn must vacate by September 6, 2017.

The Oakland County Health Department is onsite today to assess the situation.

The Township Board of Trustees and leadership are most concerned with the welfare of the people staying and working at the Royal Inn. These are some of our most needy and impoverished citizens. We are providing on-site services to help relocate and care for their immediate needs, such as housing, food, health screenings and more. On **Friday, September 1, from 10 AM to 2 PM**, there will be local aid agencies on-site to provide assistance to residents, including: Oakland County Health Department, United Way, Salvation Army, Red Cross, Catholic Charities and more, to connect affected residents with alternative shelter and other health and safety needs.

As background information, attached is a copy of the order that is being issued today, a list of the building and fire violations, as well as the agenda for the agency coordination meeting that took place today at 1:00 PM.



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