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OWNER/BUILDER AFFIDAVIT

Owner/Builder of a single-family dwelling is exempt from some of the contracting regulations as set forth in Florida Statute 489. This exemption applies to structures used for an individual's own use and occupancy. This exemption applies to single family or duplex structures used for an individual's own use and occupancy. This does not include condominium type apartments. It does not eliminate the need for inspection of each component of the project - all inspections are required as per applicable codes.

The sale or lease, or offering for sale or lease, of said structure for a period of one **(1) year after construction** is a criminal violation punishable as a misdemeanor of the 2nd degree.

For your information, the Owner/Builder becomes liable and responsible for the employees he hires to assist in the construction project. This responsibility may include the following when required by law:

- A. **Worker's compensation (for workers injured on the job).**
- B. **Social Security Tax (must be deducted from the employee's wages and matched with the owner's funds).**
- C. **Unemployment Compensation (may or may not be required).**
- D. **Liability Coverage**
- E. **Federal Withholding Tax**

I acknowledge that as an Owner/Builder, according to Florida Statutes Chapter 489, Part I, that I am obligated to actually, physically, build or improve the single-family dwelling which I have permitted.

I understand that if I am not physically doing the work or physically supervising free labor from friends or relatives, that I must hire licensed contractors, (i.e., master electrician, master plumbing, master HVAC (heating, ventilation, and/or air conditioning). I further understand the violation of not physically doing the work, and the use of unlicensed contractors at the construction site will cause the project to be shut down by the inspection staff of the City of Clearwater, Planning & Development Services Administration. I also understand if this violation does occur, in order for the job to proceed, I will have a licensed contractor come in and sign on the permit as taking the job over. I understand if I hire sub-contractors under a contract price, they must be licensed to work in the City of Clearwater, i.e., masonry, drywall, and carpentry. (All contractors licensed by the Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board have bond and liability coverage and are registered with the State of Florida).

I will assume full responsibility as an Owner/Builder contractor, and will personally supervise all work on such single-family dwelling located at _____

I will schedule all inspections required by the National Electrical Code and Florida Building Codes.

I hereby acknowledge

Owner/Builder Signature

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF PINELLAS

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means * physical presence or * online notarization, this _____ day

of _____ 202__ by (_____) as (_____) of (_____), who
Name Title Company Name

is/are personally known to me or * who has/have produced a driver's license as identification.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Signature: _____

My Commission expires: _____
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