VILLAGE OF GEORGETOWN, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 1028

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE GRANT HOMESTEAD ASSOCIATION AS THE ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZED TO LEAD HISTORIC PRESERVATION WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF GEORGETOWN, OHIO

WHEREAS, the Village of Georgetown, Ohio, as the boyhood home of Ulysses S. Grant, is a community of historical significance in our nation’s history; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Georgetown desires that the historical significance of the Village of Georgetwon be preserved;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Georgetown, two-thirds (2/3) or more of all members thereof concurring, that:

SECTION 1. The Grant Homestead Association ("Association"), a 501(c)3 organization, shall be charged with leading historic preservation activities within the Village of Georgetown.

SECTION 2. The Association's objectives under this ordinance shall be:

(a) To preserve Georgettown's distinctive character and its cultural, social, residential, commercial, industrial, educational, political or architectural heritage for the enjoyment, enrichment and benefit of the citizens of Georgetown and visitors to the village.

(b) To foster economic vitality by publicly encouraging both private and public investment in Georgetown's older buildings, neighborhoods and districts.

(c) To foster civic pride in the beauty and notable accomplishments of the past.

(d) To provide guidance for preservation and enhancement of existing historical structures and new structures in historic districts.

(e) To act as liaison on behalf of the Village of Georgettown to individuals and groups concerned with historic preservation, and to help property owners make judicious and historically correct decisions relating to proposed modifications and/or repairs to historic structures.

(f) To provide available preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation information to the citizens of Georgettown.
SECTION 3. The Grant Homestead Association shall have the following responsibilities:

(a) It will promote interest in historic preservation and educate Georgetown citizens about historic preservation by providing informational material, identifying outside resources, and working with individuals and organizations who request information regarding historic preservation projects.

(b) It shall work with property owners to designate eligible Georgetown landmarks, buildings or structures for the National Register.

(c) It shall advise Georgetown Village Council regarding the protection of local cultural resources.

(d) It shall act as a liaison on behalf of the local government to individuals and organizations concerned with historic preservation.

(e) It shall encourage its members to attend workshops, seminars, and other educational programs on historic preservation.

SECTION 4. At least once a year the Association shall submit a written report to the Village Council that summarizes its activities, cases, special projects and recommendations in relation to the objectives outlined under Section 2 of this ordinance.

SECTION 5. Georgetown Village Council shall appoint two members of Council to serve as ex-officio members of the Grant Homestead Association in connection with the Association's responsibilities for historic preservation activities.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall be effective from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

Adopted this _____ day of May, 2005.

John Jandes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ginny Colwell, Clerk/Fiscal Officer