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Ordinance Amending the Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Chapter 911.02 (Use Table) to change the definition of "Community Home" and also Chapter 926, Section 76, so as to change the definition of "Family."

Be it resolved that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Chapter 911.02 (Use Table) is hereby amended to change the definition of "Community Home" as follows:

Community Home is a group of more than ~~eight~~ four unrelated disabled persons living together as a single housekeeping unit with shared common facilities. If required, staff persons may reside on the premises. A Community Home may not be a Multi-Suite Residential use or an Assisted Living use as defined in Section 911.02. For the purposes of this definition, "disabled" means "handicapped" as defined according to the Fair Housing Act Amendments of 1988, 42 U.S.C.S. 3602(h), and any amendments thereto. This use does not include Custodial Care Facilities. This use includes halfway houses where persons are aided in readjusting to society following a period of hospitalization or institutionalized treatment for a medical, psychiatric, developmental, emotional, or other disability or handicap. This does not include halfway houses for people leaving a correctional facility. Nothing in this subsection shall require that a Community Home be made available to an individual whose tenancy would constitute a direct threat to the health or safety of other individuals or whose tenancy would result in substantial physical damage to the property of others.

Section 2. The Pittsburgh Code, Title Nine, Zoning, Chapter 926, Section 76 (Use Table), is hereby amended to change the definition of "Family," as follows:

76. Family means:

- (a) An individual, or two (2) or more persons related by blood or marriage or adoption, living together in a dwelling unit; or
- (b) A group of not more than three (3) persons who need not be related by blood or marriage or adoption, living together as a single housekeeping unit in a dwelling unit, and shared common facilities as considered reasonably appropriate for a family related by blood, marriage or adoption; in either case exclusive of usual servants; or
- (c) A group of not more than ~~eight~~ (8) four (4) unrelated disabled people living together as a single

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housekeeping unit in a dwelling unit and , which group shall not have been arranged to live together as a single housekeeping unit for the purpose of generating a profit for themselves or for the person who has made such arrangements, sharing common facilities as considered reasonably appropriate for a family related by blood, marriage or adoption, and living together as the functional equivalent of a family in terms of stability and permanence. If appropriate, one (1) staff person may reside on the premises and will not be included in the total number of occupants. Any additional staff shall be included in the total number of occupants. A Family may not be a Multi-Suite Residential facility as defined in Sec. 911.02 or an Assisted Living facility as defined in Sec. 911.02. Nothing in this subsection 76(c) shall require that a dwelling unit be made available to an individual whose tenancy would constitute a direct threat to the health or safety of other individuals or whose tenancy would result in substantial physical damage to the property of others.