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Dear Local Business Owner/Manager,

On May 24, 2016, the Grandview Board of Alderman voted to raise the minimum legal sales age for tobacco products, rolling papers, alternative nicotine products, and vapor products to 21 years of age. This ordinance will go into effect on July 1, 2016.

As a result, it is in violation of Sections 17-48 and 10-46 of the Grandview Code of Laws for tobacco products, rolling papers, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products to be sold to any person under the age of 21. Warning signs concerning the sale of products shall be plainly visible at every display from which such products are sold as set forth in Section 17-48 of the Grandview Code of Laws. The retailer sign shall:

- Contain in red lettering at least one-half inch high on a white background the following: "It is a violation of local ordinances for cigarettes or other tobacco products to be sold to any person under the age of 21" and
- Include a depiction of a pack of cigarettes at least two inches high defaced by a red diagonal diameter of a surrounding red circle, and the words "Under 21."

Included with this letter is a sample sign and age calculator to be posted. More signs can be printed by visiting the Jackson County Health Department website at www.jacohd.org.

For more information regarding the law or public and retailer education, contact the Jackson County Health Department at (816) 404-6415.

Thank you for your efforts in preventing the sale of tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, and vapor products, and protecting the health of Jackson County's youth and young adults.

Sincerely,

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Health Director