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STEPHENSON COUNTY REAL ESTATE PROPERTY TAX PREPAYMENT

(Each parcel number must have a separate form)

Prepayment will be applied to the 2023 Real Estate Taxes due in 2024

Payments accepted from December 1, 2023 – April 30, 2024

Escrowed parcels and those parcels which may be sold prior to May 1st are excluded from prepayment, and all prior years' taxes must be paid to participate in this program.

The amount paid cannot exceed 80% of the prior year tax due for this parcel. **Payment must be in check or money order form only. No cash, debit, or credit cards accepted.**

This payment shall be applied to parcel number _____.

I hereby deliver to the Stephenson County Collector, the sum of \$ _____

Date _____

Check # _____

- ** I understand the exact amount of the 2023 tax bill is not yet determined. I nevertheless deliver the prepayment amount above to be held and applied toward payment of 2023 taxes in a timely manner once the exact amount due is determined.
- ** I understand that if the amount of money delivered to the Collector under the terms of this agreement is less than the amount due once tax bills are issued, I am responsible for paying the balance due on or before each applicable due date. Failure to do so will subject me to penalties provided by statute.
- ** I understand if the payment exceeds the amount due, the Collector will refund the excess as soon as is practical. Should a check be returned for any reason, an NSF fee of \$40.00 will be assessed for each check
- ** I understand that funds delivered to the Collector will be deposited into an interest-bearing account. I further understand that any and all interest shall be distributed proportionally to tax districts in accordance with statute.
- ** I understand that once the Collector receives my prepayment, I forfeit any right to those funds prior to the time they are applied toward payment of the 2023 tax bill. The Collector shall also be the final arbiter of any disputes arising from this agreement.
- ** Finally, I understand that the Collector and her representatives offer no warranty, either express or implied, as to the tax benefits of participation in this program. Property owner should consult a tax professional for advice on such matters.
- ** I have read and understand the terms of the Stephenson County Real Estate Tax Prepayment Program and hereby consent to this agreement and all terms of participation.

Signature of Payer _____

Printed Name of Payer _____

Phone Number _____

E-Mail Address _____