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SUBJECT: Proposed Ordinance Change to Chapter 4-231 Definitions

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Below are proposed changes to Section 4-231 of the Appleton Municipal Code relating to the definition of the word family. The reason for the proposed change is to make the definition to be consistent with the current Zoning Ordinance definition. Having separate definitions could cause confusion and difficulty in enforcing code standards.

**Sec. 4-231. Definitions.**

(a) The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

~~*Family* means one (1) or more related individuals living, sleeping, cooking and eating together in a dwelling unit. The family may include not more than two (2) unrelated individuals, exclusive of servants.~~

*Family* means one (1) or more individuals not necessarily related by blood, marriage, adoption, or guardianship, living together under a common housekeeping management plan based on an intentionally structured relationship providing organization and stability.