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To Whom It May Concern

This suggested Alarm Ordinance was prepared by the North Carolina Chiefs of Police Association, in consultation with representatives of the alarm industry, to aid North Carolina municipalities in crafting an ordinance to deal with the problems associated with false alarms to the police department. Excessive false alarms drain law enforcement resources and detract from other critical law enforcement and public safety functions. An alarm ordinance should not be designed or used as a revenue generating mechanism, but rather as a part of a cooperative effort by alarm users, alarm companies, and municipalities to reduce false alarms to insure maximum law enforcement service to all citizens. The **suggested** ordinance should be **reviewed, refined, and tailored** by a municipality to fit its own needs.

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