



# LAKE CHARLEVOIX ASSOCIATION LAKE GUARDIAN APPLICATION



## PROPERTY OWNER

As property owners within the Lake Charlevoix Watershed, (“our Lake”), we wish to subscribe as supporters of the Lake Guardian Program of the Lake Charlevoix Association (LCA). We agree to promote the efforts of the LCA in protecting and enhancing the waters, shoreline and watershed of our Lake.

### **In particular, we agree to:**

- **Avoid the use of yard fertilizers containing phosphorus and limit the use of fertilizers. Avoid as much as possible, the use of yard chemicals such as pesticides and make efforts to keep any chemicals away from our Lake, rivers and streams. (*Grub killers also kill aquatic insects.*)**
- **Require that any landscaper, yard maintenance company or any other contractors we employ use only Lake friendly methods and materials and comply with all regulations and ordinances aimed at protecting the Lake or its watershed, including greenbelts, shorelines, wetlands drainage and site inspection requirements.**
- **Preserve or re-establish a healthy greenbelt and enhance with native plants where appropriate, so as to ensure the greenbelt is as effective as possible at filtering potentially harmful run-off.**
- **Regularly inspect and properly maintain septic system and remove pet waste from yard. Control yard waste by removing, composting and mulching. Dispose of hazardous household waste, including unused medicine, at appropriate collection sites.**
- **Cover exposed soil with native plants and work to control erosion on or near our Lakeshore. Landscape and grade in a manner that controls and prevents harmful water runoff to the Lake and preserves and utilizes the greenbelt area.**

As Lake Guardians, we will gladly display a Lake Guardian pennant and/or sticker at our home to show our support for this program.

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

Please return completed form to: **Lake Charlevoix Association, P.O. Box 294, Charlevoix, MI 49720**

LCA USE ONLY:

This application is approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

For the Lake Charlevoix Association, by \_\_\_\_\_.