

ORDINANCE NO. 980203-1

AN ORDINANCE, PERTAINING TO PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF MINORS UNDER THE AGE OF SEVENTEEN (17), AND ESTABLISHING A CURFEW FOR MINORS UNDER THE AGE OF SEVENTEEN (17) WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF WOOD HEIGHTS, MISSOURI, AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES TO BE ASSESSED.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE CITY OF WOOD HEIGHTS, RAY COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I.

It shall be unlawful for any minor under the age of seventeen (17) years to loiter, idle, wander, stroll, drive or ride in a vehicle or play in or upon the public streets, highways, roads, alleys, parks, or other public grounds, public places and public buildings, vacant lots or other unsupervised places between the hours of 1:00a.m. and 6:00a.m. provided, that this section shall not apply to a minor accompanied by his parent, guardian or other adult having the care and custody of the minor, or where the minor is on an emergency errand or legitimate business directed by his parent, guardian or other adult person having the care and custody of the minor, Each violation of the provisions of this subsection shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION II:

It shall be unlawful for the parent, guardian or other adult person having the care and custody of a minor under the age of seventeen (17) years to knowingly permit such minor to violate the provisions of subsection (I) of this section. Each violation of the provisions of this subsection shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION III.

Any police officer finding a child violating the provisions of subsection (I) of this section shall warn the child to desist immediately from such violation and take the child home to his parent or guardian. If such parent or guardian cannot be located, the police officer shall retain custody until the parent or guardian is located and the child delivered to such parent or guardian. The officer shall also report the violation to his superior officer, who shall cause a written notice to be served on the parent, guardian or person in charge of the child, setting forth the manner in which this section has been violated. Any parent, guardian or person in charge of such child who knowingly permits such child to violate the provisions of subsection (I) of this section, after receiving notice of the first violation shall upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

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SECTION IV.

All existing ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed on the effective date hereof.

SECTION V.

This ordinance shall take effect from and after its date of passage.

Read two times and passed this _____ day of _____, 1998.

Mayor

Attest

Seal

*Passed
Feb 3, 1998*