ORDINANCE NO. 15

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING LOITERING AND PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOOGOOTEE, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

It shall be unlawful and shall be a violation of this Ordinance SECTION 1. for any person to loiter or prowl in a place, at a time, or in a manner not usual for law-abiding individuals under circumstances that warrant alarm for the safety of persons or property in the vicinity. Among the circumstances which may be considered in determining whether such alarm is warranted is the fact that the actor takes flight upon appearance of a peace officer, refuses to identify himself, or manifestly endeavors to conceal himself or any object. Unless flight by the actor or other circumstances make it impracticable, a peace officer shall prior to any arrest for an offense under this section afford the actor an opportunity to dispel any alarm which would otherwise be warranted, by requesting him to identify himself and explain his presence and conduct. No person shall be convicted of an offense under this Section if the peace officer did not comply with the preceding sentence, or if it appears at trial that the explanation by the actor was true, and if believed by the peace officer at the time, would have dispelled the alarm.

SECTION 2. A person, who, having no legal privilege to do so, purposely or recklessly obstructs any highway or other public passage, whether alone or with others, commits a violation, and, in case he persists after warning by a law officer, a seperate violation. "Obstructs" means renders impassable without unreasonable inconvenience or hazard. No person shall be deemed guilty of recklessly obstructing in violation of this Subsection solely because of a gathering of persons to hear him speak or otherwise communicate, or solely because of being a member of such gathering.

SECTION 3. Any person who violates this Ordinance shall upon conviction be subject to a fine of not less than Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) nor more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00).

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council, approved by the Mayor, and publication as by law required, and said publication is hereby ordered.

| ATTEST: |
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| Doris M. Traylor, Clerk Treasurer |
| Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Loogootee on the 13/14 day |
| of Otober, 1981, at the hour of 8:15 P.M. (Central Daylight Time.) |
| Doris M. Traylor, Clerk-Treasurer |
| This Ordinance approved and signed by me on the 13th day of October |
| 1981 at the hour of 8:15 P.M. (Central Daylight Time.) |
| Lelly Cion |
| Ted M. Killion, Mayor |

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOOGOOTEE,

Presiding Officer

INDIANA, THIS 12th DAY OF OCTOBER, 1981.