ORDINANCE NO. 2021-29

Introduced by: Mark Claus

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING SECTIONS 1369.98(c) AND 1369.99(a) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HURON AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2021, the City of Huron ("City") adopted an amended Chapter 1369 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Huron ("Codified Ordinances"), Transient Rental Property; and

WHEREAS, matters have arisen subsequent to the adoption of the revised Chapter 1369 of the Codified Ordinances, particularly pertaining to enforcement of the provisions therein, that have made it necessary that certain sections therein be amended and restated to improve the enforcement mechanisms; and

WHEREAS, the Council wishes to adopt amended Sections 1369.98(c) and 1369.99(a) of Codified Ordinances to improve the ability of the City to enforce the provisions of Chapter 1369 of the Codified Ordinances in order to protect the life, health, safety, and welfare of residents of the City; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO:

Section 1: That current Section 1369.98(c) of the Ordinances be eliminated in its entirety and shall be replaced with the following, and shall henceforth read as follows:

- "(c)"Calls for Service" means any and all calls, including, but not limited to, those to law enforcement, fire department, or emergency assistance of any kind when those calls result in a representative of a law enforcement agency, a fire department, or another emergency assistance service being dispatched or directed to the Residential Premises and;
 - (1) allege criminal activity, including, but not limited to, disturbance of the peace that results in an arrest, charge or citation of persons occupying or on the premises of a Transient Rental Property; or
 - (2) result in a reasonable finding by the Department, after review of relevant police, fire, and emergency run reports, of an imminent threat to safety of person(s) or property as a result of activities occurring on a Transient Rental Property."

Section 2: That current Section 1369.99(a) of the Ordinances be eliminated in its entirety and shall be replaced with the following, and shall henceforth read as follows:

"(a) Except as otherwise expressly provided for elsewhere under the Codified Ordinance or the Ohio Revised Code, whoever violates any provision of this chapter or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder or fails to comply therewith or with any written notice or written order issued thereunder shall be guilty of a first degree misdemeanor and subject to a fine of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and/or a maximum imprisonment term of six (6) months or both. Each day that such violation exists shall constitute a separate and distinct offense. Multiple violations can occur during a single guest stay and may be noticed and heard in a single action."

Section 3: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, the emergency being the necessity to ensure the public peace, health, safety and welfare of City residents and those owning, operating, and occupying transient rental properties, and enhancing the City's ability to enforce City Ordinances relating to transient rental properties. Therefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after passage and approval by the Mayor.

Sam Artino, Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

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