

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1-8 OF THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE MAXIMUM FINES; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Act 341 of 2009 amends Ark. Code Ann. § 15-55-504(a) to increase the maximum fines that cities may levy for violations of its municipal code; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to amend Section 1-8(c) of its code to increase the maximum fines as allowed by Act 341 of 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That Section 1-8(c) of the North Little Rock Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1-8. Penalty for violations; continuing violations.

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(c) Except as otherwise provided, a person convicted of a violation of this Code shall be punished by a fine not exceeding ~~\$500.00~~ \$1,000.00, or double such sum for each repetition thereof. If the violation is, in its nature, continuous in respect to time, the penalty for allowing the continuance thereof is a fine not to exceed ~~\$250.00~~ \$500.00 for each day that the violation is unlawfully continued.

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SECTION 3: That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 4: That the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable, and if any section, phrase or provision shall be declared or held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions.

SECTION 5: It is hereby found and determined that the adoption of this Ordinance is immediately necessary to insure the proper and orderly growth of the City

of North Little Rock, Arkansas and is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare; THEREFORE, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:

SPONSOR:

Mayor Patrick H. Hays

APPROVED:

Mayor Patrick H. Hays

ATTEST:

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

C. Jason Carter, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/b