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AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO VEHICLES REGARDING THEIR USE UPON THE PUBLIC STREETS AND ALLEYS OF THE CITY OF DRAKESBORO, KENTUCKY, AND PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE

The City Council of the City of Drakesboro do ordain as follows:

Sec. I. Whenever and wherever the word "Vehicle" is used in this ordinance it shall include all agencies for the transportation of persons or property over and upon the public streets and alleys of the City of Drakesboro, Kentucky, and all vehicles passing over or on said streets or alleys excepting road rollers, and such vehicles as travel exclusively on rails, and whenever and wherever the word "automobile" is used, it shall include motorcycles, trucks and all other vehicles that are propelled otherwise than by muscular power, except road roller and such vehicles as travel exclusively on rails

Sec. II It shall be unlawful for any person to drive or operate on the streets or alleys of the City of Drakesboro any automobile or motorcycle at a greater rate of speed than 8 speeding miles per hour. *Appraised by 20 miles*

Section III All automobiles when in operation, on the public streets and alleys of the city of Drakesboro shall, between the hours of one-half hour after sunset and one-half hour before sunrise be equipped with lights as follows;

(a) At least two lighted lamps in front showing white or tints other than red, light, and of sufficient power to clearly reveal substantial objects at least two hundred feet ahead and one lighted lamp in the rear showing red visible from the rear two hundred feet away.

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(b) All motorcycles and bicycles when in operation during said hours shall be equipped with at least one lighted lamp showing white or tinted other than red, light, and of sufficient power to clearly reveal substantial objects at least fifty feet ahead.

(c) It shall be unlawful to operate any such vehicle or vehicles at any time during said hours without said lights as above provided and no such vehicle shall be left parked or standing upon any public street or alley without at least one of said lights and one red light light burning, except in the case of motorcycles for which one light is required and same shall remain lighted when parked or standing in the streets in the same as operation.

(d) The head or front lights above required shall be so arranged reflected that no glaring rays from it or from any reflector shall be at any times more than three and one-half above a level surface at a distance of 75 feet or more ahead of such vehicle, and provided, further, that in case of accident or emergency automobiles may display lanterns or other lights of smaller power, for the purpose of getting said vehicle to a garage or shop where same can be repaired and no other purpose.

⊗ Sec. IV. Every automobile or motorcycle with an internal combination steam or air motor shall be equipped with a suitable and efficient muffler and it shall be unlawful while on a public street or alley in the city of Drakesboro to operate same with muffler cut out or removed.

Sec. V. No owner shall knowingly operate or permit to be operated on any public streets or alleys of Drakesboro an automobile on which the brakes are defective or out of order.

Sec VI. No owner shall knowingly operate or permit to be operated on a public street or alley in the city of Drakesboro an automobile upon which the steering device is defective or out of order.

Sec VII. Every automobile, motorcycle and bicycle when in use on the public streets or alleys of the city of Drakesboro shall be equipped with a horn, bell or other device capable of making an abrupt sound sufficiently loud to be heard under ordinary conditions of traffic and every person operating an

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automobile, motorcycle or bicycle shall sound said horn or other sound device whenever necessary as warning of the approach of such vehicle to pedestrians or other vehicles, but shall not sound said horn or sound device unnecessarily, and it shall be unlawful to sound said horn or sound device unnecessarily when said vehicle is not approaching, or at all, when said vehicle is parked or not in motion.

Sec. VIII. No vehicle shall tow (and by "two" is meant the hauling with a two line) more than one other vehicle, and the tow line shall not be over 18 feet long and a white cloth or flag shall be fastened to the tow line at or near the center both day and night, so as to make it plainly discernable, and each vehicle shall separately display the lights required on vehicles of the class to which they belong.

Sec IX. No vehicle shall at one time haul more than two trailers (and by "trailers" is meant other vehicles connected in such manner as to keep them uniformly separated) and each trailer must carry at least one lighted lamp on its left side in such manner as to show a green light to the front and a red light to the rear visible two hundred feet away.

Sec X. When any part of a load projects five feet beyond the vehicle a red flag by day or a red light during the period provided above, must be placed upon the extremity of such projection.

Sec XI. No person shall willfully operate any vehicle on any public street or alley of the city of Drakesboro in such a way as to injure thereto, and all the provisions of this ordinance shall apply to trucks and all other motor vehicles with such exceptions as are set out in page 90 of the acts of the General Assembly of Kentucky of 1920.

x { Sec XII. No person under 16 years of age shall operate any automobile or truck upon the public streets or alleys of the City of Drakesboro unless accompanied by the owner or some person over 21 years of age authorized by the owner, and such owner or other older person shall govern the operation and the movements of the automobile or truck and the operator shall be governed by such owner or other older person, less than 14 years of age shall ~~not~~ operate an automobile or truck upon any of the public streets or alleys of the City of Drakesboro at any times or under any conditions. }

Sec XIII. No intoxicated person shall operate any automobile, truck, motorcycle or bicycle upon any of the public streets or alleys of the City of Drakesboro at any time day or night.

Sec. XIV. RULES FOR OPERATION OF VEHICLES. -

x { (a) The operator of any vehicle when upon any of the public streets or alleys of the City of Drakesboro shall operate such vehicle in a careful manner, with due regard for the safety and convenience of pedestrians and all other vehicles or traffic upon such streets or alleys, and shall travel upon the right side of such street or alley whenever possible and unless the left side of such highway is clear of all other traffic or obstructions and presents a clear vision for a distance of at least 150 feet ahead. }

(b) Two vehicles passing, or about to pass each other, in the opposite directions shall have the right-of-way and no other vehicle to the rear of such vehicles shall pass or attempt to pass such vehicle.

(c) except where otherwise directed by a traffic officer the operator of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way at the intersection of their path to a vehicle approaching to the right, unless such vehicle approaching from the right is farther from the point of the intersection of their path than such first named vehicle.

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(d) Vehicles proceeding from opposite directions shall pass each other to the right each giving to the other one-half of the street or alley as nearly as possible.

(e) Vehicles overtaking other vehicles proceeding in the same direction shall pass to the left thereof and shall not again drive to the right until reasonably clear of such vehicles and the person operating or in charge of the overtaking vehicle shall sound horn or other sound device before passing such vehicle.

(f) It shall be the duty of the operator of a vehicle about to be overtaken to give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle upon suitable and audible signal being given by the overtaking vehicle if such overtaking vehicle be an automobile or bicycle.

(g) When turning to the right at an intersection of public streets or alleys vehicle shall keep to right of the center, and to the left shall pass to the left of the center keeping, however, as far to the right as possible so to do and still pass to the left said center. For the purpose of the subsection the "center" shall be held to mean the meeting of the medial lines of the two streets or alleys.

(h) Every person operating a vehicle on a public street or alley and approaching an animal being ridden or driven shall exercise every possible precaution to prevent frightening any such animal and to insure the safety of the person riding or driving same, and if any such animal appears frightened the operator shall not proceed further toward such animal unless such movement be necessary to avoid injury or accident until such animal shall be under the control of the rider or driver thereof.

(i) The operator of any vehicle moving slowly upon any street or alley shall keep such vehicle as closely as practicable to the right hand boundary of the street or alley, yielding more swiftly moving vehicles reasonably free passage to the left.

(j) Every operator of an automobile, motorcycle or bicycle when approaching a curve or an obstruction to the view on a public street or alley which prevents a clear view for a distance ahead of 150 feet, shall hold said automobile, motorcycle or bicycle under control and shall give warning by the horn or other sound device of his approach. And every person operating a vehicle on any public street or alley before turning, stopping, or changing the course of such vehicle and before turning such vehicle when starting the same shall see first that there is sufficient space for such change or turn to be made in safety, and shall give plainly signals, visible, of his intention to change, turn or stop by the use of his left hand and arm as follows: To turn vehicle toward the right or left by extending the hand and arm horizontally from and beyond the side of the vehicle toward which the turn is to be made, or by extending the hand and arm upward at an angle of 45 or gradually horizontally from the side opposite the direction towards which the turn is to be made.

Intention to stop or abruptly check the speed of a vehicle shall be indicated by extending the hand and arm from beyond either side of the vehicle downward.

Sec XV. PARKING

No person shall park any automobile or truck upon any of the streets or alleys in the city of Drakesboro within 15 feet of any crossing or intersection of another street or alley. And no person shall at any time park an automobile or truck upon the street known as Mulberry Street at any place upon said street from its intersection with Main Street south to the said Mulberry Street crosses the Louisville & Nashville

Sec. XVI. No person shall stop an automobile or truck leave standing, or cause, or permit same to stop

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provided, however, that this provision shall not apply to a vehicle which shall be disabled while on said streets or alleys in such manner and to such extent that it is impossible to avoid the occupation of said streets or alleys or impracticable to remove the same therefrom until the repairs shall have been or sufficient help obtained for its removal.

No person shall at any time leave any automobile, truck or other motor vehicle standing in any of the streets or alleys of the city of Drakesboro with the engine running unless someone is left in charge of said vehicle.

Sec. XVII. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, or any section or subsection thereof, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$100.00 for each offense.

