ORDINANCE NO. 33 A

An Ordinance to prohibit loitering within the Corporate Limits of Leonardtown and to provide penalties for violation thereof.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Leonardtown desire to preserve and promote the health, safety and well being of the inhabitants of the Town of Leonardtown and to protect their property, the following Ordinance is passed and adopted by the Commissioners of Leonardtown:

A. Section 1: Loitering:

- (a) Be it enacted and ordained by the Commissioners of Leonardtown that it shall be unlawful for any person to loiter, loaf, wander, stand or remain idle either alone and/or in consort with others in a public place in such manner so as to:
 - (1) Obstruct any public street, public highway, public sidewalk,
 park, or any other public place or building by hindering or
 impeding or tend to hinder or impede the free and uninterrupted
 passage of vehicles, traffic or pedestrians.
 - (2) Commit in or upon any public street, public highway, public sidewalk, park or any other public place or building any act or thing which is an obstruction or interference to the free and uninterrupted use of property or with any business lawfully conducted by anyone in or upon or facing or fronting on any such public street, public highway, public sidewalk, park or any other public place or building, all of which prevents the free and uninterrupted ingress, egress, and regress, therein, thereon and thereto.
- (b) When any person causes or commits any of the conditions enumerated in Subsection (a) herein, a police officer or any law enforcement officer shall order that person to stop causing or committing such conditions and to move on or disperse. Any person who fails or refuses to obey such orders shall be guilty of a violation of the Section.
- (c) Any person who violates any of the provisions of this Section shall be subject to a fine not exceeding One Hundred (\$100.00)

 Dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding thirty (30) days or both.

Any such violation shall constitute a separate offense on each successive occasion continued.

- B. Be it further enacted and ordained by the Commissioners of Leonardtown that the Ordinance Numbered Thirty Three (33) titled the same as this Ordinance and passed and enacted on August 3, 1967 by the Commissioners of Leonardtown shall hereafter stand rescinded and repealed.
- C. Be it further enacted and ordained by the Commissioners of Leonardtown that this Ordinance is deemed an emergency ordinance within the meaning of same as defined in Article 23B of the Annotated Code of Maryland.
- D. Be it further enacted by the Commissioners of Leonardtown, that this Ordinance shall take effect on October 12, 1973.

Passed and enacted by the Commissioners of Leonardtown, this 11th day of October, 1973.

Raymond H. Hall, President

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Sarah S. Guy, Secretary