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INTRODUCED BY: JULIA FISHER-PERRIER, COUNCILWOMAN, DISTRICT VII

ORDINANCE NO. <u>20-8-7</u>

An ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances, Parish of St. Charles, Chapter 14 Miscellaneous Provisions and Offenses, by amending Section 14-2 Curfew for minors.

THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION I. That the St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14 Miscellaneous Provisions and Offenses, Section 14-2. Curfew for minors be amended as follows with new text <u>underlined</u> and deleted text in <u>strikethrough</u>:

Sec. 14-2. - Curfew for minors.

- (a) Any minor under the age of seventeen (17) eighteen (18) years is prohibited to loiter, idle, wander, stroll, drive any motor vehicle or play in or upon public streets, highways, roads, alleys, parks, playgrounds, wharves, docks, or other public grounds, public places and public buildings, bus stations, places of amusement and entertainment, vacant lots, or other unsupervised placed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. in the parish; provided, however, the provisions of this subsection do not apply to a minor accompanied by his parent, guardian or other adult person having the care and custody of the minor, or the minor is upon an emergency errand or legitimate purpose directed by his parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care and custody of the minor. Each violation of the provisions of this subsection shall constitute a separate violation.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for the parent, guardian, or other person having the care and custody of a minor under the age of seventeen (17) eighteen (18) years to permit such minor to loiter, idle, wander, stroll, drive any motor vehicle or play in or upon public streets, highways, roads, alleys, parks, playgrounds, wharves, docks, or other public grounds, public places, and public buildings, but stations, places of amusement and entertainment, vacant lots, or other unsupervised places between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. in the parish; provided, however, the provisions of this subsection do not apply to a minor accompanied by his parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care and custody of the minor, or when the minor is upon an emergency errand or legitimate purpose and directed by his parent, guardian, or other adult person, having the care and custody of the minor. Each violation of the provisions of this subsection shall constitute a separate offense.
- (c) It shall be unlawful for any person operating or in charge of any place of amusement, entertainment or refreshment to permit any minor under the age of seventeen (17) eighteen (18) years to remain in such place during the hours prohibited by subsection (a); provided, however, the provisions of subsection (a) shall not apply when such minor is accompanied by his or her parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care and custody of the minor.
- (d) The provisions of subsection (a) or (b) shall not apply to any student under the age of seventeen (17) eighteen (18) years or to his parent, guardian, or other adult having the care and custody of such minor who is attending any chaperoned activities of churches, schools, social, fraternal and recreational organizations sponsored for the benefit or entertainment of children, providing they make an immediate and direct return home after the lapse of a reasonable time, at the conclusion of these events.

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS:

FONSECA, DARENSBOURG GORDON, CLULEE, GIBBS, DUFRENE,

BELLOCK, FISHER, FISHER-PERRIER

NAYS:

NONE

ABSENT:

BENEDETTO

And the ordinance was declared adopted this <u>10th</u> day of <u>August</u>, 2020, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN:

SECRETARY:

DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT:

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