

BY: _____ Councilmember Norris _____
 FIRST READING _____ February 7, 2024 _____
 SECOND READING _____ February 21, 2024 _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON, MISSOURI, AMENDING SECTION 205.390 - CURFEW FOR PERSONS UNDER (18) EIGHTEEN

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Bridgeton, Missouri finds that it is in the best interest of the City to amend Section 205.390 of the City Code to be in line with 211.031 RSMo; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 205.390 of the Bridgeton Code of Ordinances is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:

WHEREAS, **Definitions.** For the purposes of this Section, the following terms shall have the meanings given in this Subsection:

CHILD: Any person under eighteen (18) years of age.

GUARDIAN: Guardian appointed by court of competent jurisdiction.

PARENT: The natural father or mother, or the adoptive father or mother; and

WHEREAS, **Generally.** No person under the age of eighteen (18) years shall be in or upon the public streets, alleys, parks, playgrounds, or other public grounds, public places, and public buildings, places of amusement and entertainment, vacant lots, or other unsupervised places between the hours of 11:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M. of the following day except on Fridays and Saturdays, when the hours shall be from 12:00 Midnight to 6:00 A.M; and

WHEREAS, **Responsibility of Parent.** The parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care and custody of a person under the age of eighteen (18) years shall not knowingly permit such person to violate this Section; and

WHEREAS, **Notice to Parent.** Any Police Officer finding any person under the age of eighteen (18) years violating the provisions of this Section shall warn such person to desist immediately from such violation and shall promptly report the violation to his superior Officer, who shall cause a written notice to be served upon the parent, guardian, or person in charge of such person, setting forth the manner in which this Section has been violated. Any parent, guardian, or person in charge of such person

who shall knowingly permit such person to violate the provisions of this Section, after receiving notice of the first violation, shall be guilty of an offense; and

WHEREAS, **Service of Notice.** The written notice provided in Subsection (D) may be served by leaving a copy thereof at the residence of such parent, guardian, or person in charge of the person in violation of this Section, with any person found at such residence over the age of eighteen (18) years, by mailing such notice to the last-known address of such parent, guardian, or person in charge of such person, wherever such person may be found; and

WHEREAS, **Exceptions.** This Section shall not apply to those persons detained while going to or coming from their place of employment, nor shall this Section apply to any person under eighteen (18) years of age who is accompanied by his parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care and custody of such person, or where such person is upon an emergency errand or legitimate business directed by his parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care and custody of the minor.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

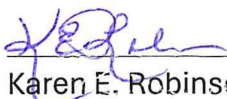
PASSED THIS 21st DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2024

APPROVED THIS 21st DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2024



Randal B. Hein, Acting Mayor

ATTEST:



Karen E. Robinson, MRCC-S/CMC
City Clerk