

**CITY OF PASADENA HILLS, MISSOURI  
AN ORDINANCE**

1<sup>st</sup> READING 8/17/22  
2<sup>nd</sup> READING 8/17/22

BILL NO. 988  
ORDINANCE NO. 979

TITLE

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ENACTING A NEW CRIMINAL OFFENSE RELATED TO VEHICLE PROWLING TO BE INCORPORATED INTO PASADENA HILLS'S MUNICIPAL CODEBOOK.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PASADENA HILLS, MISSOURI ("the City"), AS FOLLOWS:**

**WHEREAS**, the City deems it necessary to adopt and enact a criminal new offense related to vehicle prowling and to codify same in the City's Municipal Codebook.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PASADENA HILLS, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:**

The Municipal Code is hereby revised and amended by adding the following offense, which shall read as follows:

**SECTION 1:**

A person commits the offense of vehicle prowling if the person:

- (a) Shall test or pull any doors of successive vehicles, or open or attempt to open the trunk of successive vehicles, that the person does not own or lease, without each owner's or lessee's permission, and which serves no legitimate or lawful purpose and would lead a reasonable person to believe said conduct was in furtherance of a crime.
- (b) Shall enter a vehicle that person does not own or lease without the owner's or lessee's permission for any illegitimate or unlawful purpose.

**SECTION 2:**

For purposes of this ordinance, "enter" shall mean being physically present in or accessing a vehicle in a way that would lead a reasonable person to believe said conduct was in furtherance of a crime and "successive" shall mean more than one vehicle.

**SECTION 3:**

This ordinance shall not apply to any law enforcement officer, public safety officer or other public employee who performs the acts described herein while in the performance of official duties.

**SECTION 4:**

All acts and parts of Ordinances or Resolutions heretofore adopted by the City in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 5:**

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

**PASSED** by the Board of Aldermen and **APPROVED** by the Mayor of the City of Pasadena Hills, Missouri, this 17th day of August 2022.



Attest:

  
Honorable Cynthia Pender McCarthy, Mayor

  
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City Clerk