

**ORDINANCE NO. 486**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 163, ARTICLE II OF THE ROCKWOOD CITY CODE TO ADD A NEW SECTION 163-8.1 CONCERNING PARENTAL NEGLECT**

**Section 1.** That Chapter 163, Article II, Section 163-8.1 is hereby added to the Rockwood City Code to provide as follows:

**"§ 163-8.1. Parental neglect.**

A. It shall be unlawful for the parent of any minor to fail to exercise reasonable parental control which results in the minor committing any criminal act or violation of the Code or to allow or encourage any minor to commit any criminal act or to become delinquent in accordance with the Probate Code of the State of Michigan as it pertains to juveniles.

B. As used in this section, failure to exercise reasonable parental control shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- (1) Knowingly permitting the minor to violate this Chapter.
- (2) Knowingly permitting the minor to keep stolen property.
- (3) Knowingly permitting the minor to associate with known juvenile delinquents.
- (4) Knowingly permitting the minor to be absent without cause from regular school sessions.
- (5) Knowingly permitting the minor to possess unlawful drugs and narcotics.
- (6) Knowingly permitting the minor to be without proper supervision in the absence of parents."

**Section 2.** That all existing provisions of Chapter 163, Article II of the Rockwood City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 3. Severability.** The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

**Section 4. Repeal.** All other Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such inconsistencies, hereby repealed.

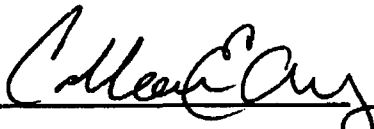
**Section 5. Publication.** The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication as required by law.

ON MOTION OF WASNER, SUPPORTED BY  
FARHER, the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

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Colleen E. Oney, City Clerk