

CITY OF VENTNOR CITY

ORDINANCE NO. 001 OF 2017

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 158 "NUISANCES" OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF VENTNOR CITY,
COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Ventnor, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey that Ventnor City Code Chapter 158 shall be amended to ADD the following sections:

SECTION 1: Section 158, Nuisances, shall be amended to ADD Article V, Release of Balloons as follows:

Section 158-19. Release of Balloons- Purpose and Intent. This article is adopted in order to protect the environment, particularly the wildlife, and the health, safety and well-being of persons and property by prohibiting the release of helium balloons into the atmosphere, including latex and Mylar, as it has been determined that the release of balloons inflated with lighter-than-air gases pose a danger and nuisance to the environment, particularly to wildlife and marine animals so as to constitute a public nuisance and may pose a threat to the safety of its habitants and their property

Section 158-20 Prohibited Releases. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to intentionally release, organize the release, or intentionally cause to be released balloons inflated with a gas that is lighter than air within the City of Ventnor limits except for:

- (a) Balloon released by a person on behalf of a governmental agency or pursuant to a governmental contract for scientific or meteorological purposes.
- (b) Hot air balloons that are recovered after launching
- (c) Balloons released indoors

Section 158-21 Violations and Penalties. Any person found in violation is guilty of a non-criminal infraction punishable by a fine not to exceed the sum of \$500.00

SECTION 2: All Ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency only.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication and in the manner provided by law

FIRST READING: January 19, 2017

PUBLICATION: January 23, 2017

PUBLIC HEARING &
ADOPTION: February 16, 2017

Mayor Beth Holtzman

Commissioner H. Timothy Kriebel

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