

ORDINANCE NO. 12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIDGECREST

ESTABLISHING A CURFEW LAW

The City Council of the City of Ridgecrest does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. Curfew Law between the hours of 10:00 o'clock P.M. and 5:00 o'clock A.M. of the following day. Except as provided in Section 2, it shall be unlawful for any minor under the age of eighteen (18) years to be upon the streets of the City of Ridgecrest or in places of amusement or entertainment or in other public places in said City, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock P.M. and 5:00 o'clock A.M. of the following day, unless said person is (a) accompanied by a parent, guardian or other adult person having custody or charge of said minor, or (b) at a church or other religious function, or (c) at a legitimate place of business, trade, profession or occupation at which said minor is employed, or (d) on the streets going directly to or returning directly from any of the places mentioned in subsections (b) and (c) hereof.

SECTION 2. Exception to Curfew Law between the hours of 10:00 o'clock P.M. and 12:00 o'clock Midnight of any day. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1, and between the hours of 10:00 o'clock P.M. and 12:00 o'clock midnight of any day, it shall be permissible and it shall not be unlawful for any person under the age of eighteen (18) years to be at or on the streets going directly to or returning directly from a public library, night class, study hall, school activity or a place of amusement or entertainment, other than one at which intoxicating liquors are sold or distributed, if such place of amusement or entertainment is supervised or sponsored by an adult person or adult persons of good moral character, or a reputable firm or corporation or a public agency. Said places of amusement or entertainment, as herein defined, shall include but shall not be limited to theaters, night games, recreation centers, dances and similar activities.

SECTION 3. Exception to Curfew Law. Notwithstanding any provision contained in this Chapter to the contrary, it shall be permissible, and it shall not be unlawful, for any person under the age of eighteen (18) years to be at or on the streets going directly to or returning directly from a place of amusement or entertainment, other than one at which intoxicating liquors are sold or distributed, between the hours of 10:00 P.M. on December 31st of each year and 2:00 A.M. of January 1st of each year or during the so-called "New Year's Eve," if such place of amusement or entertainment is supervised or sponsored by an adult person or adult persons of good moral character, or a reputable firm, or corporation, or a public agency. Said places of amusement or entertainment, as herein defined, shall include but not be limited to the theaters, night games, recreation centers, dances and similar activities.

SECTION 4. Parent's Liability. It shall be unlawful for any parent or any adult person having the care or control or charge of any person under eighteen (18) years of age to permit, allow or let said person to be upon the streets of the City of Ridgecrest or in places of amusement or entertainment, or in other places of the City of Ridgecrest, in violation of Section 1 or 2 of this ordinance.

SECTION 5. Violation and Penalty. A violation of this ordinance shall be punishable for the first offense by a fine not exceeding Ten Dollars (\$10) or by imprisonment in the County Jail not exceeding five (5) days. For each subsequent offense, by a fine of not less than Ten Dollars (\$10) or more than Fifty Dollars (\$50) or imprisonment in the County Jail of not less than five (5) days or not more than twenty five (25) days or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 6. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an ordinance for the immediate preservation of the public peace, public health and safety and the facts constituting the urgency are declared as follows: That the City of Ridgecrest has become recently incorporated and in order to maintain law and order and provide for continuity of regulations previously in effect when the area was unincorporated, it is imperative that the City Council adopt an ordinance establishing a curfew law for minors in the City of Ridgecrest.

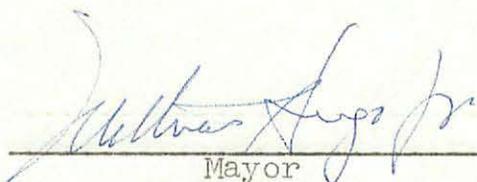
SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect immediately and the City Clerk shall cause the same to be published or posted in the manner required by law.

Passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Ridgecrest this 12th day of December, 1963, by the following vote.

AYES: GILMER, DUGUID, WEBB, JULES, MAYOR HUGO

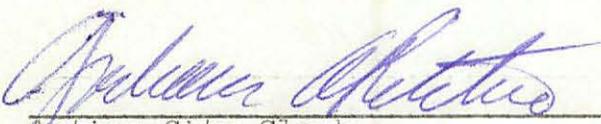
NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE



Mayor

ATTEST:



Acting City Clerk