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ORDINANCE NO. 27

AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO A CURFEW FOR PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN YEARS, DEFINING OFFENSES AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR SUCH OFFENSES.

WHEREAS, it is in the interests of public safety, health and morals that the children of this County observe reasonable hours and that such hours be regulated, NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pacific County, Washington:

1. It shall be, and IT IS HEREBY DECLARED, to be unlawful for any person under the age of 18 years to congregate, loiter or be on the streets, highways, in public places, or upon unoccupied premises or grounds in Pacific County, Washington, outside of the limits of any incorporated City or Town, in the night time between those hours hereinafter specified unless such persons shall be accompanied by his parent or legal guardian or is sent by his parent or guardian on some urgent business or errand which renders it necessary for him to be abroad during the hours herein mentioned, in which case such person shall personally have with him the written consent of his parent or guardian provided; that nothing in this section shall be interpreted as prohibiting minors from traveling over or along public streets by direct route to and from work in the regular course of employment where such occupation and employment has been approved by authorities under procedure out lined by statute in cases where such approval is necessary and such minor has in his possession evidence of such approval.

2. The hours of curfew applicable under this Ordinance, together with the classes of persons, days, exceptions and terms to which they apply, are as follows:

- (a) Children under the age of 14 years:
Fridays, Saturdays and any day immediately preceding a legal

holiday: Between the hour of 11:00 o'clock P.M. and 6.00 o'clock A.M. of the following day.

All other days: Between the hour of 9:30 o'clock P.M. and 6:00 o'clock A.M. of the following day.

(b) Children over the age of 13 years and under the age of 18 years:

Fridays, Saturdays and any day immediately preceding a legal holiday: Between the hours of 12:00 o'clock midnight and 6:00 o'clock A.M. of the following day.

All other days: Between the hour of 11:00 o'clock P.M. and 6:00 o'clock A.M. of the following day.

3. During the months of June, July and August the same curfew hours shall apply as set out herein for Fridays, Saturdays and any day immediately preceding a legal holiday.

4. It shall be unlawful for any person not the parent or guardian as defined herein to accompany, congregate or loiter with any minor on any public street, highway, in public places or upon unoccupied premises or grounds in Pacific County, Washington, outside the limits of any incorporated city or town except by and with the express consent of the parent or guardian.

5. It shall be unlawful for any parent or guardian as defined herein, wilfully, negligently or knowingly to permit a minor of the ages specified herein, who is subject to his custody, to violate any of the provisions hereof.

6. Any person violating any provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not to exceed two hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the County Jail but not to exceed thirty days or by both such fine and imprisonment.

7. DEFINITIONS:

The term street shall mean any alley, thoroughfare, pathway, or other course of travel open to the public.

The term highway shall include any road, lane, dock, wharf, or

any terminal or continuance of a roadway open to the public.

The term public places shall include, but is not limited to, places of amusement, parks, playgrounds, dance halls, and similar places open to the public.

The term unoccupied premises or grounds shall include all areas and premises of the County outside of incorporated cities and towns except those premises designed as dwellings or places of residence and presently occupied by such residence.

The parent or guardian shall mean the actual parent or legal guardian of a person who has the care, custody or control of such minor by consent of the parent or legal guardian or by court action.

Masculine gender as used in this Ordinance shall include the feminine gender and singular shall include plural.

8. IT IS HEREBY DECLARED that an emergency exists, and this Resolution is to take effect immediately.

Dated this 5th. day of June, 1967.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF PACIFIC COUNTY, WASHINGTON.

By Don [Signature]
Chairman

Abner S. Hall

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Commissioners

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Clerk of the Board.