

ORDINANCE NO. 14

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AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN(18) FROM BEING OR LOITERING ABOUT THE STREETS, RIDING AROUND AIMLESSLY IN CARS, OR BEING IN PUBLIC PLACES WITHOUT ATTENDANCE OF A PARENT OR GUARDIAN AFTER CERTAIN HOURS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR ITS VIOLATION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ENNIS:

Section 1. Hours.

It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of eighteen(18) to be on any street, alley or public place, or riding around aimlessly in a car in the Town of Ennis after the hour of 10:00 P.M. on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each and every week and until the hour of 5:00 A.M. the following morning; and after the hour of 12:00 o'clock midnight on Friday and Saturday until 5:00 A.M. of the following morning. Except by written permission of the parent or parents, guardian or other adult having control of such minor, or that such minor be accompanied by some relative, parent ~~or~~, guardian or some other proper person authorized by the parent or guardian. The permit must state the reason for the minor being out after curfew hours.

Provided that any person under the age of eighteen (18) who is engaged in a regular lawful occupation as a means of earning a living or earning money for a useful purpose may apply to and receive a permit from the Mayor allowing him or her to be on the street not later than one-half hour after the close of his or her shift.

Section 2.

It shall be the duty of the parent or parents, guardian or other adult having control of such minor to notify the minor persons herein mentioned to retire from the streets or other public places within the Town of Ennis to their homes at said time, and any officer of the Town of Ennis may, and it is hereby made the duty of each and every police officer of the Town of Ennis to arrest any one violating any of the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 3. Penalty.

Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, the parent or parents, or guardian of said violator, shall be fined in any sum not exceeding twenty five dollars and costs of prosecution; or to be imprisoned in jail for not more than five(5) days or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 4.

That this ordinance shall be deemed an emergency

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

Passed by the Town Council of the Town of Ennis and approved by the Mayor this 19th day of October 1959.

Chas. E. M. Bauer
Mayor

ATTEST:

John F. Buckley
Town Clerk