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GUARDIANS FOR CERTAIN ACTS OF UNEMANCIPATED MINORS

ADOPTED BY THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE
THIS 10TH DAY OF APRIL, 2007

Published by authority of the Mayor and
Board of Trustees of the Village of Sauk
Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois
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WHEREAS, the Parental Responsibility Law, 740 ILCS 115/1, *et seq.* (the "Law"), imposes liability for actual damages for the willful or malicious acts of minors which cause injuries to persons or property upon the parents or legal guardians of such unemancipated minors living with such parents or legal guardians; and

WHEREAS, the Law authorizes any municipal corporation to enforce the liability imposed by the Law; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois (the "Village"), and in furtherance of the public health, safety and welfare, to encourage parents and legal guardians to exercise proper supervision and control of unemancipated minors by imposing liability on those parents and legal guardians for certain unlawful activities of said minors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1: The statements set forth in the preamble to this Ordinance are true and correct and are adopted as part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2: As used in this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires, the terms specified have the meanings ascribed to them:

(1) "Legal guardian" means a person appointed guardian, or given custody, of a minor by a circuit court of the State, but does not include a person appointed guardian, or given custody, of a minor under the Juvenile Court Act or the Juvenile Court Act of 1987.

(2) "Minor" means a person who is above the age of 11 years, but not yet 19 years of age.

SECTION 3: The parent or legal guardian of an unemancipated minor who resides with such parent or legal guardian is liable for actual damages for the willful or malicious acts of such minor which may cause injury to a person or property, including damages caused by a minor who has been adjudicated a delinquent for violating Section 21-1 3 of the Criminal Code of 1961.

SECTION 4: The Village, through its various departments, agencies and officers, is authorized to enforce the liability imposed pursuant to Section 3, above. To the extent that any unemancipated minor commits a violation of any state statute or Village ordinance, resolution or

regulation resulting in injury to persons or property, that minor's parent or legal guardian residing with him or her shall be liable for fines not to exceed \$750.00 per offense.

SECTION 5: If any portion of this Ordinance is held to be invalid, that portion shall be stricken from this Ordinance and the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect to the extent possible.

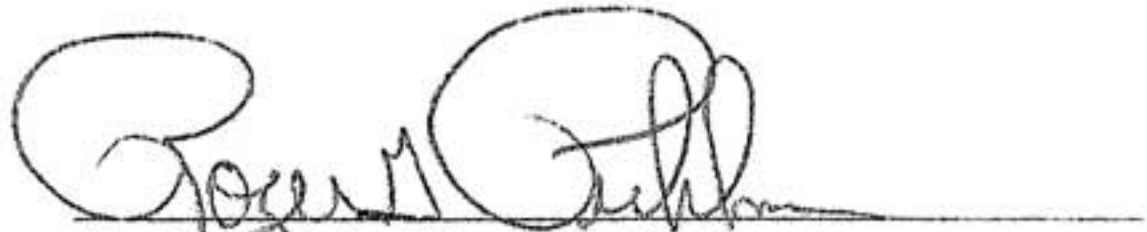
SECTION 6: All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

AYES: Trustees Burgess, Hanks, Luther, Schultz, Slawnikowski, Williams

NAYS: None

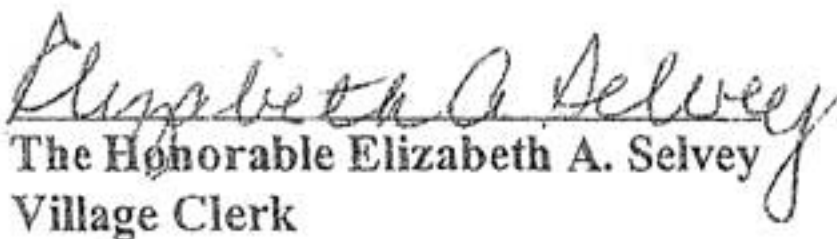
ABSENT: None

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10TH DAY OF APRIL, 2007.



The Honorable Roger G. Peckham
Mayor

Attest:



The Honorable Elizabeth A. Selvey
Village Clerk