AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING GENERAL PENALTY PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Sammamish will incorporate on August 31, 1999; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to adopt general penalty provisions; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance is necessary for the preservation of the peace, health, and welfare of the citizens of the City of Sammamish; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sammamish has a limited time in which to adopt all the necessary rules, regulations, laws, and policies prior to the City's official date of incorporation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires this Ordinance to become effective on the date of incorporation, August 31, 1999;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. General Penalties. Unless otherwise specified by City ordinance, anyone who violates the provisions of any ordinance of the City shall be punished pursuant to the general penalty provisions set forth below:

A. Criminal Penalty. Any person violating any of the provisions of any ordinance of the City is guilty of a misdemeanor. Unless otherwise provided, any person convicted of a misdemeanor under this code shall be punished by a fine not to exceed $500, or by imprisonment not to exceed six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

B. Civil Penalty. Any person violating any of the provisions of any ordinance of the City that is designated a civil offense or civil violation shall have committed a civil infraction. Unless otherwise provided, any person committing a civil infraction shall be assessed a monetary penalty not to exceed $250.00 for each day that the violation occurs.

Section 2. Separate Offense. Every person violating any of the provisions of any ordinance of the City is guilty of a separate offense for each and every day during any portion of which the violation is committed, continued, or permitted by any such person.

Section 3. Nuisance. In addition to the penalties set forth in Section 1 of this Ordinance, all
remedies provided by law for the prevention and abatement of nuisances shall apply regardless of any other remedy.

Section 4. Severability. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this Ordinance be pre-empted by state or federal law or regulation, such decision or pre-emption shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force on August 31, 1999 at 12:01 a.m.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF ON THE 30th DAY OF JUNE, 1999.

CITY OF SAMMAMISH

Mayor Phil Dyer

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

Interim City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Bruce L. Disend, City Attorney

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