

CITY OF LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA

ORDINANCE NO. 88

AN ORDINANCE requiring licensing of certain motor vehicles operated within the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia; prescribing procedure for payment of licensing fee and issuance of license decals; and prescribing penalty for violation.

WHEREAS, in recent years many homes in the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia, have been burglarized;

WHEREAS, the number of burglaries has been increasing because of increases in the value of silver and gold; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to assist the Police Department in its surveillance of vehicles, it is deemed to be in the best interests of the citizens of the City that certain Motor Vehicles operated within the City be identifiable by the use of license identification decals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED by the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia, and IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AND ORDAINED:

Section 1. Definitions. For the purpose of interpreting this ordinance, the following terms shall have the meaning given herein:

(a) "City" is the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia.

(b) "Council" is the Mayor and Councilmen of the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia.

(c) "Resident" is any person who resides within the City limits for a period of time longer than thirty (30) days.

(d) "Nonresident Motorist" is any person who is not a resident but who nevertheless travels through the City and makes use of the City streets on not less than ten (10) days in any calendar month or not less than thirty (30) days in any twelve month period.

(e) "Motor Vehicle" means passenger automobiles, trucks, vans, and any other motor driven vehicle.

Section 2. Policy. It is declared to be in the public interest, welfare and safety of the citizens of the City that certain Motor Vehicles driven within the City be subject to licensing under the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 3. Applicability of Ordinance. The provisions of this ordinance shall be applicable to any Motor Vehicle owned, leased, or used by a Resident of the City and operated within the City. In addition, the provisions of this ordinance shall be applicable to Motor Vehicles owned, leased or used by Nonresident Motorists who elect to purchase license decals in accordance with Section 5 of this ordinance.

Section 4. License and License Fee.

(a) There is hereby levied an annual license fee of One Dollar (\$1.00) for each Motor Vehicle operated within the City by a Resident.

(b) Each Resident who operates a Motor Vehicle subject to the provisions of this ordinance shall pay the license fee annually at the City Hall to the City Clerk, or his duly authorized representative.

(c) For the year 1980, the license fee shall be due and payable on or before the first day of June, 1980, and shall become delinquent on the first day of July. For the year 1981 and each subsequent year, the license fee shall be due and payable on or before the first day of May and shall become delinquent on the first day of July each year.

Section 5. License Decals.

(a) Upon the Resident's payment of the license fee and exhibition of a certificate of title or other acceptable proof of ownership for each Motor Vehicle to be licensed, the City Clerk shall issue to the Resident two (2) decals, bearing serial numbers for each Motor Vehicle operated

within the City by the Resident. One decal shall be displayed on the front bumper, and the other decal shall be displayed on the rear bumper. Each decal shall be placed on the right side of the front and rear bumpers (as viewed from the rear of the Motor Vehicle).

(b) Upon recommendation by the Council or the City's Chief of Fire and Police, the City Clerk may, at any time issue license decals to a Nonresident Motorist, who shall display the decals in the same manner set forth in the above Section 5(a). No Nonresident Motorist shall be required to purchase license decals, but each Nonresident Motorist electing to do so shall pay the One Dollar (\$1.00) annual license fee and shall be required to exhibit a certificate of title or other acceptable proof of ownership for each Motor Vehicle to be licensed.

(c) No decal shall be transferrable from one owner or operator to another or from one Motor Vehicle to another. When an owner or operator transfers a Motor Vehicle to another person, the decals shall be removed and destroyed.

Section 6. New Residents and Newly Acquired Vehicles.

(a) New Residents of the City who become subject to this ordinance between annual licensing dates shall pay the license fee and obtain decals within ten (10) days after becoming a Resident.

(b) An owner or operator who acquires a Motor Vehicle subject to this ordinance between annual licensing dates shall pay the license fee and obtain decals within ten (10) days after the motor vehicle is acquired.

(c) There shall be no proration of the license fee because of the issuance of license decals between annual licensing dates.

Section 7. Use of Fee Revenue. The revenue from the license fees shall be used in paying the cost of administration of this ordinance and enforcement of its provisions.

Section 8. Violation a Misdemeanor. Violation of this ordinance is hereby declared a misdemeanor, and any

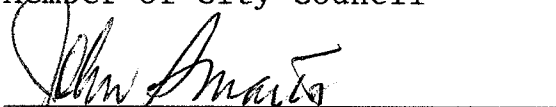
violator shall be punishable on conviction by a fine of not less than Two Dollars (\$2.00) nor more than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each violation.

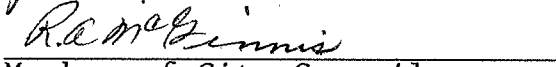
Section 9. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective on May 26, 1980, provided that it shall have been approved prior to that date by at least three members of the Council after two readings at least one week apart.

Approved on first reading on April 17, 1980.


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Mayor of Lookout Mountain, Georgia

Approved on second reading on MAY 15th, 1980.


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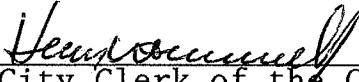

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ATTEST:


City Clerk of the City of
Lookout Mountain, Georgia