ORDINANCE 2013-03

An Ordinance Amending Title 6, Chapter 1, Offenses Against Public Peace, Safety and Morals, of the West Dundee Municipal Code to Add Section 6-1-20, Truancy

WHEREAS, the Village of West Dundee, Kane County, Illinois is a home rule municipality as contemplated under Article VII, Section 6, of the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and the passage of this Ordinance constitutes an exercise of the Village's home rule powers and functions as granted in the Constitution of the State of Illinois.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES, VILLAGE OF WEST DUNDEE, KANE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THAT,

Section 1: Title 6, Chapter 1, Offenses Against Public Peace, Safety and Morals, of the West Dundee Municipal Code shall be amended to add Section 6-1-20, Truancy, which shall read as follows:

6-1-20 TRUANCY

- A. It is unlawful for any child who is subject to compulsory school attendance under Illinois State law, to be absent from attendance at school without prior parental permission. Emergency or unforeseen absences due to illness or other causes beyond the control of the person so absent without parental permission shall not constitute truancy if permission for such absence has been obtained from the parent or guardian and notification of such permission is made to the proper school authority no later than the end of the next full school day after the absence.
- B. It is unlawful for any person having care or custody of a child who is subject to compulsory school attendance as required by Illinois state law to allow such child to be absent without valid cause from such attendance for a school day or portion thereof.
- C. "Valid cause" for absence shall mean illness, observance of a religious holiday, death in the immediate family, or family emergency and shall include such other circumstances that cause reasonable concern to the parent for the safety or health of the student.
- D. Penalty: Any person violating this section shall be fined fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the first offense and one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for any subsequent offenses. Each day that a violation continues shall be considered a separate offense.

Section 2: If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, sentence or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, invalidate or nullify the remainder there of, which remainder shall remain and continue in full force and effect.

<u>Section 3:</u> All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage.

APPROVED and PASSED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of West Dundee, Kane County, Illinois, and approved by the President of said Village this 18th day of February, 2013.

AYES:

Trustees Osth, Hanley, Yuscka, Kembitzky, Voss and Price

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

None

Larry Kelk

Village President

ATTEST:

Barbara Traver

Village Clerk