EXPLANATION: Matter underlined is new; matter in brackets and stricken [--] is material to be repealed.

## BILL NO.

## ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL TITLE 6, CHAPTER 6.06 SECTION 6.06.170 OF THE RENO MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED "SPECTATORS PROHIBITED AT ILLEGAL SPEED REACING AND OTHER SPEED VIOLATIONS"; AND OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO.

## THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RENO DOES ORDAIN:

**SECTION 1.** Title 6, Chapter 6.06, § 6.06.170 of the Reno Municipal Code is hereby repealed as follows:

## **[6.06.170. Spectators prohibited at illegal speed racing and other speed violations.**

(a) Preamble.

(1) The Reno City Council finds and declares that:

- a. Pursuant to Reno Municipal Code section 6.06.695, motor vehicle speed racing and other speed violations on alleys, highways, roadways and streets are illegal.
- b. Street racing threatens the health and safety of the public, interferes with pedestrian and vehicular traffic, damages private property, creates a public nuisance and interferes with the right of private business owners to enjoy the use of their property within the City of Reno.
- e. Illegal street races occur on a regular basis on various streets within the city. Large numbers of racers and spectators gather on these streets late at night and in the early morning hours, blocking the streets and sidewalks to traffic, forming a racetrack area, placing bets, and otherwise encouraging, aiding and abetting the racing process.
- d. Illegal street races attract large numbers of spectators. The mere presence of spectators at these events fuels the illegal street racing and creates an environment in which these illegal activities can flourish.
- (2) This section is adopted to prohibit spectators at illegal street races with the aim of significantly curbing criminal activity. It targets a very clear, limited population and gives proper notice to citizens as to what activities are lawful and what activities are unlawful. In discouraging spectators, the act of organizing and participating in illegal street races will be discouraged.
- (b) *Definitions*.
  - (1) "Speed racing or other speed violations" means any violation referred to in Reno Municipal Code section 6.06.695.

- (2) "Preparations" for "Speed racing or other speed violations" include, but are not limited to, situations in which:
  - a. A group of motor vehicles or individuals has arrived at a location for the purpose of participating in or being spectators at the event;
  - b. A group of individuals has lined one or both sides of a public street or highway for the purpose of participating in or being a spectator at the event;
  - c. A group of individuals has gathered on private property open to the general public without the consent of the owner, operator, or agent thereof for the purpose of participating in or being a spectator at the event;
  - d. One or more individuals has impeded the free public use of a public street or highway by actions, words, or physical barriers for the purpose of conducting the event;
  - e. Two or more vehicles have lined up with motors running for an illegal motor vehicle speed contest or exhibition of speed;
  - f. One or more drivers is revving his engine or spinning his tires in preparation for the event; or
  - g. An individual is stationed at or near one or more motor vehicles serving as a race starter.
- (3) Spectator means any individual who is present at an illegal motor vehicle speed race or other speed violations or at a location where preparations are being made for such activities, for the purpose of viewing, observing, watching, or witnessing the event as it progresses. Spectator includes any individual at the location of the event without regard to whether the individual arrived at the event by driving a vehicle, riding as a passenger in a vehicle, walking, or arriving by some other means.
- (c) Any individual who is knowingly present as a spectator, either on a public street or highway, or on private property open to the general public without the consent of the owner, operator, or agent thereof, at an illegal motor vehicle speed race or other speed violations is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- (d) Any individual who is knowingly present as a spectator, either on a public street or highway, or on private property open to the general public without the consent of the owner, operator, or agent thereof, where preparations are being made for an illegal motor vehicle speed race or other speed violations is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- (e) An individual is present at the illegal motor vehicle speed race or other speed violations if that individual is within 200 feet of the location of the event, or within 200 feet of the location where preparations are being made for the event.
- (f) Any individual who for the purpose of facilitating or aiding or as an incident to any speed racing or other speed violations upon an alley, highway, roadway, or street in any manner obstructs or places any barricade or obstruction or assist or participate in placing any barricade or obstruction is guilty of a misdemeanor.]

**SECTION 2.** The Reno City Council hereby finds that this ordinance is not subject to the requirements of Chapter 237 of NRS, Business Impact Statement process.

**SECTION 3.** This Ordinance shall be in effect from and after its passage, adoption and publication in one issue of a newspaper printed and published in the City of Reno.

**SECTION 4.** The City Clerk and Clerk of the City Council of the City of Reno is hereby authorized and directed to have this Ordinance published in one issue of the Reno-Gazette Journal, a newspaper printed and published in the City of Reno.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, by the following vote of the Council:

AYES:

NAYS:\_\_\_\_\_

ABSTAIN:\_\_\_\_\_ABSENT:\_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF RENO

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK AND CLERK OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RENO, NEVADA

EFFECTIVE DATE: