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ORDINANCE NO. 65

TOWN OF DAUPHIN ISLAND, ALABAMA

AN ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE HOUSE NUMBERS ON ALL HOUSES/BUILDINGS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF DAUPHIN ISLAND, ALABAMA AND THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCE 15, 15A, AND 15B IN THEIR ENTIRETY.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Dauphin Island, Alabama in the State of Alabama as follows:

Section 1. House numbers

- A. Five (5) inch (minimum height) house numbers should be posted on all buildings no later than January 1, 2001.
- B. The numbers must be a minimum at least five (5) inches in height, be covered with a reflectorized surface (paint) or be of a contrasting color to the building.
- C. No property shall be rented, leased, or placed for sale that does not have house numbers posted.
- D. Existing building: Building permits will not be issued or any inspections made unless a house number is affixed to the building.
- E. New Construction: No inspections will be made unless a temporary house number is placed above or below the posted onsite building permit.
- F. Definition: Building shall mean house, commercial building, church, condo, duplex, apartment building, high rise, public building, hotel, motel, bed and breakfast, rooming house, boarding house, trailer (in mobile home park) or structure.

Section 2. Numbers shall be affixed to the building, clearly viewable from the street, on the left side of the building closest to the street, on a porch/deck column adjacent to the building entrance, or above the front entrance. Numbers on mail boxes, curb, sign, post, etc. are permitted but, house numbers shall be affixed to the building/structure.

Section 3: ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES

- a. When any police officer or other employee of the Town designated by law or ordinances as an enforcement officer, finds any violation of any provision of this Ordinance which he is authorized and required to enforce, such person may issue on forms provided by the Town, a citation and deliver it to the person in violation, directing said person to appear in the municipal court of the Town at a time and on a date stated therein to answer to the charge or charges for the violations, which shall be stated in said citation.

- b. If the violation is the first violation of such provision of this Ordinance by the person cited, such person, in lieu of appearing on the municipal court at the time and on the date stated in the citation, may pay a fine of Thirty (\$30.00) Dollars plus the costs of court within ten (10) days from the date of such citation at the office of the municipal court clerk for the use of the Town and other agencies designated by law.
- c. The police officers and other employees of the Town, designated by law or ordinance enforcement officers are authorized to issue citations as above provided, are hereby further authorized to swear out warrants and execute affidavits or complaints charging persons with the violations of this ordinance, without first having issued a citation for such violation.
- d. Any employee of the Town of Dauphin Island designated by the Mayor may issue corrective notices to persons, corporations, establishments, companies, owners, tenants, occupants, and agents found to be in violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance. The issuance of such corrective notice is not necessary for the prosecution of violations of this ordinance.

Section 4. Failure to Comply with a Notice.

Any person, corporation, company, firm, business, institution, owner, lessee, agent, tenant or occupant who has been served such notice in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance, and who shall neglect or shall refuse or shall fail to fully comply with the corrective notices so ordered and/or within the time frame so ordered therein, shall be in violation of this ordinance.

Section 5. Penalties

Any person found guilty of violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not more than Five hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, or by imprisonment in the town jail or at hard labor for a period not exceeding six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment is at the discretion of the Judge trying the case. Each day such violation is permitted to continue shall constitute a separate offense and shall be punished as such thereunder. Any person found guilty of any of the provisions of this ordinance may, in the discretion of the Court be punished by fine, imprisonment, or in the alternative, may be sentenced to community service as designated by the court in lieu of fine or imprisonment.

This Ordinance shall be effective as of July 10, 2000

Approved: _____

Jeff Collier, Mayor

Attested: _____

Ginger Simpson, Town Clerk