

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 22-192, Article VIII, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended; which Chapter 22 relates to MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, which Article VIII relates to BRAKES, HORNS AND OTHER MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT, and which Section 22-192 relates to WARNING DEVICES--ILLEGAL SIRENS, ETC.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 22-192, Article VIII, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 22-192. Warning devices--Illegal sirens, etc.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any vehicle to be equipped with or for any person to use upon any vehicle any siren, exhaust, compression or spark plug whistle or horn. It shall be unlawful for any vehicle to be equipped with or for any person to use any horn or warning device while upon a street or any way open to public travel that is not of a type that has been approved by the superintendent of the department of state police or for any person at any time to use a horn otherwise than as a reasonable warning or to make any unnecessary or unreasonably loud or harsh sound by means of a horn or other warning device, except that the vehicles of common carriers or extraordinarily large and heavy vehicles may be equipped with such type of warning device as the superintendent of the department of state police may require or permit.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, a siren, bell or supplemental horn may be used on a vehicle as a noise maker for an alarm system provided the device is installed so as to prohibit actuation of the system by the driver while the vehicle is in motion.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the city not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The clerk of the council shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective June 26, 1970.

Charles E. Beatley, Jr.
Mayor

FINAL PASSAGE: JUNE 23, 1970

N.B. Underlining is not part of the ordinance but merely denotes new material.