

Ordinance No. 33

An Ordinance to prohibit loitering within the Corporate Limits of Leonardtown and to provide penalties for violation thereof.

Whereas, the Commissioners of Leonardtown desire to preserve and promote the health, safety and well being of the inhabitants of the Town of Leonardtown and to protect their property, the following Ordinance is passed and adopted by the Commissioners of Leonardtown:

Section 1: Be it enacted and ordained by the Commissioners of Leonardtown that it shall be unlawful for any person within the corporate limits of Leonardtown to loiter in, about, or upon any street, alley, or other public way or public place or place open to the public or around any store, shop, or business or commercial establishment, or on any private property or place, except and unless such person is engaged in a lawful business, educational, recreational, or religious activity, or except and unless such person is pursuing any other lawful purpose or activity.

Section 2: Be it further enacted and ordained by the Commissioners of Leonardtown, that, as used in this Ordinance, unless the context requires otherwise, the following words shall have the meanings set forth below.

Loiter. Loiter means to idle, stand around, tarry, or wander on foot, as well as to park, idle, wander or tarry in, on or about a motor vehicle.

Place Open To The Public. Place open to the public means any place to which the public is invited in, on, or around any privately owned place of business, any private institution, or any place of amusement or entertainment whether or not a charge for admission or entry thereto is made.

Public Place. Public Place means the area between building lines on any street, avenue or thoroughfare, and any alley, park, playground, public building, public parking lot or vacant lot.

Section 3. Be it further enacted and ordained by the Commissioners of Leonardtown, that any person violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars and of not more than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars, or be confined in jail for a period of not more than Thirty (30) days, or be both fined and imprisoned in the

discretion of the Court.

Section 4. Be it further enacted and ordained by the Commissioners of Leonardtown, that this Ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage and enactment.

Passed and enacted by the Commissioners of Leonardtown, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 1967.

Attest:

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