Introduced:

Mayor Davis

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ORDINANCE NO. 1297

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 17-24, "POSTING NOTICES PROHIBITED," OF THE GREENBELT CITY CODE

WHEREAS, there has been a recent proliferation of signs, posters, notices, etc. posted illegally on public property in the City of Greenbelt; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that the placement of illegal signs near the public rights-of-way creates safety hazards; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that the proliferation has caused an aesthetic problem throughout the City of Greenbelt; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has the authority to regulate and prohibit the placement of such signs on public property in the City of Greenbelt.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the City of Greenbelt that Chapter 17 of the City Code is amended to include Article II, to read as follows:

(Denotes existing language; new material indicated by underscoring, deleted material indicated by brackets [].)

ARTICLE II. LITTER

SECTION 17-24. Posting Notices Prohibited

- No person shall post or affix or have posted or affixed any notice, poster or other a. paper or device calculated or intended to attract the attention of the public to any public property, or upon any public structure or building, except as may be authorized or required by law. For the purposes of this section, election or campaign signs, or real estate signs placed consistent with county law, shall not be restricted or prohibited. Additionally, yard sale signs, signs advertising community events, signs for recreational programs and the like shall be allowed.
- Any person who violates this section, or causes to have violated this Section, shall b. be subject to penalties as set forth in this section.
- Violations of this section shall be considered municipal infractions, and shall be c. subject to a fine of \$100.00 for the first violation of this section, \$200.00 for a second violation of this section, and \$400.00 for any subsequent violations of this section.

d. Each and every notice, poster or other paper or device posted or affixed in violation of this section shall constitute a separate offense. Each day a violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVE that this Ordinance shall become effective ten days following its passage.

PASSED, by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland at its regular meeting of September 22, 2008.

ndith F. Davis, Mayor

Attest:

Cindy Muncey
City Clerk