AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE POSTING OF HAND-BILLS OR SIGNS UPON PUBLIC PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, The City of Grants wishes to prevent visual clutter, minimize traffic hazards and prevent interference with the intended use of public property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GRANTS:

- SECTION 1. No person shall paint, mark or write, or post or otherwise affix any hand-bill or sign to or upon any sidewalk, crosswalk, curb, curbstone, street lamp post, hydrant, tree, shrub, tree stake or guard, railroad trestle, electric light or power or telephone or telegraph pole, or wire appurtenance thereof or upon any fixture or fire alarm or upon any lighting system, public bridge, drinking fountain, street sign or traffic sign.
- SECTION 2. Any hand-bill or sign found posted, or otherwise affixed upon any public property contrary to the provisions of this ordinance may be removed by the police department or department of public works of the City of Grants. The person responsible for any such illegal postings shall be liable for the cost incurred in the removal thereof and the department of public works is authorized to effect the collection of said costs.
- SECTION 3. It shall be unlawful for any person or legal entity, whether incorporated or unincorporated, to do any of those things enumerated in Section 1 of this ordinance. Any person found guilty of violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00) or imprisoned for a period of not more than ninety (90) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment, and each such violation shall constitute a separate offense.
- SECTION 4. Nothing in this ordinance shall apply to the painting of house numbers upon curbs or curbstones within the City of Grants.
- SECTION 5. If any section, subsection, paragraph, phrase or other portion of this ordinance shall be declared invalid for any reason whatsoever by any court or competent jurisdiction, then such decision shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining sections of this ordinance.

SECTION 6. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure on the ground of urgent public need. It is therefore to become effective immediately upon publication as provided by law.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 9th DAY OF AUGUST, 1984.

Dave Zerwas Mayor

ATTEST:

Frank L. King, City Clerk