AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PARKING IN A FIRE LANE; REPEALING OTHER ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, there is a need for a prohibition against the parking of vehicles in and along areas designated as a "fire lane";

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS:

Section 1: No person shall stop or park a vehicle upon or adjacent to any curb or zone of a parking area, whether public or private, and whether the vehicle is attended or unattended, where said curb or zone is marked by red paint and designated "Fire" or "Fire Lane" or "Emergency vehicles only" or any other designation which communicates to a reasonable person that parking thereon is prohibited.

Section 2: Any business, firm, or other person who does business with the public or owns or operates a business which provides parking to the public may provide a designated fire lane with appropriate signage and red curb markings. Such private businesses, by providing said designated fire lane, authorizes the arrest, by warrant or citation, of any person in violation of this ordinance.
Section 3: That violation of the provisions of this ordinance constitutes an unclassified misdemeanor and upon conviction a violator may be fined not less than $50.00 and not more than $250.00.

Section 4: That any ordinance which conflicts with this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

Section 5: That the ability to freely access public and private property for the purpose of extinguishing or preventing fire is of paramount concern and is necessary to protect the safety of the citizens of the City of Conway, and therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this ordinance shall go into effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED this 14th day of April, 1998.

APPROVED:

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MAJOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK