AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE DISPLAY OF ADDRESSES ON BUILDINGS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:

WHEREAS; it is important for buildings in Conway to have their addresses displayed prominently to aide in the adequate provision of emergency services and to assist citizens in finding their way, and;

WHEREAS; no requirement currently exists to require the display of such addresses;

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

Section 1: That each building in Conway is required to display its address on the building in such a way that it is easily visible and readable from the public street providing access to the building. The address is not required to provide the name of the street. The requirements in this ordinance do not apply to residential accessory buildings or to nonresidential accessory buildings that are subsidiary to a primary building and utilized for the same use, such as a storage building for a building supply store.

Section 2: That the address is to be in numbers and/or letters that are no less than three (3) inches in height and not in a script font. The street number must be represented numerically, not spelled out.

Section 3: That if the building is located too far from the public street providing access to the building for the required address to be easily read when located on the building, the address must be placed on a sign large enough to accommodate the address and the sign must be placed close enough to the public street providing access so that it is easily visible and readable from that road. Such sign shall contain no more than the address of the building. The address may include but is not required to include the name of the street. This requirement may be fulfilled by including the address as a readily identifiable element of another sign that is allowed by the sign ordinance if the address is readily visible and readable from the public street providing access to the building. For a residence, this requirement may also be fulfilled by including the address on a mailbox in close proximity to the public street and on the same side of the public street as the building that is a solitary mailbox.

Section 4: If access to the building is provided by a private road system within a development, the requirement for display of the address may be fulfilled if the address is readily visible and readable from the private road system that provides access to the building. However, all other requirements of this Ordinance are to be fulfilled in relation to the size and placement of the address.
Section 5: That all existing buildings shall have such addresses in place no later than January 1, 2004.

Section 6: That all new buildings must have such addresses in place prior to final inspection and no power shall be provided to new buildings until the required addresses are in place.

Section 7: A violation of this ordinance shall be deemed a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by a fine. Any person, firm or corporation who violates or refuses to comply with any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not less than twenty dollars ($20), nor more than one hundred dollars ($100.00) for each offense. Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 8: That all ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of that conflict.

Section 9: That this ordinance is necessary for the protection of the public peace, health and safety, and an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED this 8th day of July, 2003.

APPROVED:

[Signature]
Mayor Tab Townsell

ATTEST:

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City Clerk Michael O. Garrett