

ORDINANCE 2016-67

ADOPTING CHAPTER 727 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MASON RELATING TO MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, City Council has determined that in other communities where illicit massage establishments and similar types of businesses currently exist in the State of Ohio, there have been incidents of increased crime, prostitution, human trafficking, and related public safety violations; and

WHEREAS, City Council further finds that the enactment of this ordinance to regulate massage establishments is a substantial government interest for the City in preserving the quality of life and that it is in the interest of the health, safety, morals, and general welfare of the citizens of Mason.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio, seven members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. That Chapter 727 of the Mason Codified Ordinances shall be adopted to read as provided in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the peace, health, safety and general welfare of the people of the City of Mason, and shall take effect immediately. The reason for said declaration of emergency is the need to implement the regulations at the earliest possible date in order to preserve the quality of life and the health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of Mason and to combat the negative secondary effects associated with illicit establishments.

Passed this 13th day of June, 2016.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk of Council