ORDINANCE NO. 272

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE USE OR OCCUPATION OF A CAMP CAR OR TRAILER BY ANY PERSON FOR LIVING OR SLEEPING PURPOSES UPON ANY PARCEL OF LAND WITHIN THE TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO; DEFINING CAMP CARS OR TRAILERS; EXEMPTING THE PARKING OR STORAGE THEREOF WHEN NOT USED FOR LIVING OR SLEEPING PURPOSES; DECLARING SAID ORDINANCE TO BE RETROACTIVE AND PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION

The City Council of the Town of San Anselmo does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1: A "camp car" or "trailer" is hereby defined as any unit used for living or sleeping purposes and which is equipped with wheels or similar devices used for the purpose of transporting said unit from place to place, whether by motive power or other means.

SECTION 2: The word "person", unless otherwise specifically provided in this ordinance, shall be held and construed to mean and include natural persons of either sex, firms, associations, co-partnerships and corporations, whether acting by themselves, or by servant, agent or employee; the singular number shall include the plural, and the masculine shall include the feminine.

SECTION 3: It shall be unlawful for any person to use or occupy any camp car or trailer for living or sleeping purposes upon any lot, piece or parcel of land in the Town of San Anselmo, County of Marin, State of California.

SECTION 4: It shall be unlawful for any owner, lessee or occupant of any lot, piece or parcel of land within the Town of San Anselmo, County of Marin, State of California, whether for gain, hire, reward or gratuitously, or otherwise, to permit the said premises to be occupied by any camp car or trailer used for living or sleeping purposes.

SECTION 5: Nothing in this ordinance shall be deemed to
prohibit the parking or storage of any camp car or trailer on the home premises of its owner, as long as such camp car or trailer is not used for living or sleeping purposes.

SECTION 6: If any section, or sub-section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance, and the City Council does hereby declare that it would have passed this ordinance in every section, sub-section, sentence, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, sub-sections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

SECTION 7: It is hereby specifically declared that it is the intent that each and every provision of this ordinance is to be retroactive.

SECTION 8: Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction of any violation, shall be punishable by imprisonment in the County Jail for a period of not exceeding three (3) months, or by a fine not exceeding Three Hundred Dollars ($300.00), or by both such imprisonment and fine. Every person continuing, committing or permitting any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day of said violation of this ordinance.

SECTION 9: This ordinance is hereby declared to be an urgency measure immediately necessary for the protection and preservation of the public health, safety and peace and general welfare of the people of the Town of San Anselmo, and shall take effect immediately upon its final passage and adoption. Said ordinance shall, within fifteen (15) days after its final passage and adoption, be published once in "The San Anselmo Herald", a newspaper of general circulation, published and circulated in the Town of San Anselmo and hereby designated for that purpose. The facts constituting said condition of urgency are as follows:
that because of the War and the National Defense Program there is a shortage of houses for defense workers; that some defense workers are using, and others threaten to use, certain lots and property in the Town of San Anselmo as parking places for camp cars or trailers, as here-in defined, to be used as living quarters for said defense workers and their families; that by reason of the lack of sanitary conditions of said camp cars or trailers the City Council considers that any number of said camp cars or trailers would be a health menace to the people of the Town of San Anselmo; that by reason of the fact that said camp cars or trailers are not constructed as required by the Building Code of the Town of San Anselmo such camp cars or trailers would constitute a fire menace in the Town of San Anselmo.

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The foregoing ordinance was duly and regularly introduced at an adjourned regular meeting of the City Council of the Town of San Anselmo, held in said town on the 19th day of May, 1942, and was thereafter at a regular adjourned meeting of the City Council of the Town of San Anselmo, held in said Town on the 28th day of May, 1942, duly passed and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: 

NOES: COUNCILMEN: 

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: 

Mayor of the Town of San Anselmo

ATTEST: 

Clerk of the Town of San Anselmo