TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO  
ORDINANCE NO. 331

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE PRESENCE OF MINORS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS IN PUBLIC STREETS AND OTHER PLACES BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 11 O'CLOCK P.M. AND DAYLIGHT OF THE FOLLOWING DAY, DEFINING DUTIES OF PARENTS AND OTHER PERSONS IN CARE OF MINORS IN RELATIONSHIP THERETO, FIXING THEIR RESPONSIBILITY AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTY OF VIOLATION THEREOF, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 110 OF THE TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO ENTITLED "PROHIBITING PERSONS UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE FROM BEING ON THE STREETS, ALLEYS AND PUBLIC PLACES IN THE TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO, AT NIGHT AFTER THE HOUR OF NINE O'CLOCK P.M. AND SUNRISE"; And ALL ORDINANCES AMENDATORY THEREOF.

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

SECTION 1. Ordinance No. 110 of the Town of San Anselmo and all ordinances amendatory thereof are hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. It shall be unlawful for any minor under the age of 18 years to loiter, idle, stroll, or play in any public street, public square, park, or any public place between the hours of 11 o'clock P.M. and daylight of the following day; provided, however, that the provisions of this section do not apply to a minor accompanied by his or her parent, guardian or other adult person having the care and custody of the minor, or where the minor is upon an emergency errand or legitimate business directed by his or her parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care and custody of the minor.

SECTION 3. Any person assisting, aiding, abetting, permitting or encouraging any minor under the age of 18 years to violate any of the provisions of this code is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by a fine of not more than $500 or by

SECTION 4. Each owner, agent, manager, or keeper of a hotel, boarding house, lodging house, tenement house, apartment house or motor court shall immediately report to the office of the Chief of Police of the City, the presence therein of any and all minors who he or she has reason to believe to be under the age of 18 years; providing, however, that the provisions of this paragraph do not apply when the minor or minors is or are accompanied by a parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care and custody of such minor or minors. In making such report to the office of the Chief of Police the name, age, last known place of abode, the names and residences of the parents, guardians or other custodians of such minor or minors, shall be stated, and shall include such other or further information as can be ascertained from said minor or minors or otherwise.

SECTION 5. It shall be unlawful within the City for any proprietor, keeper, clerk or any other person, having charge or control of any cafe, tavern, restaurant, bar, eating place or public dance hall to permit any person under the age of 18 years to remain in said public place herein enumerated between the hours of 11 o'clock P.M. and daylight immediately following; provided, that the provisions of this paragraph do not apply to a minor or minors accompanied by his or her parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care and custody of the minor.

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SECTION 6. It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of eighteen years to operate a motor vehicle or ride in or on a motor vehicle, about the public streets, avenues, parks, public squares, or any other public places between the hour of 11:00 o'clock P.M. and the time of sunrise of the following day when not accompanied by his or her parent or legal guardian having legal custody and control of such person, or other adult person having the care and custody of such person; provided, however, that the provisions of this Section do not apply to any such person who shall be operating or riding in a motor vehicle engaged in gainful employment, or upon an emergency errand, or on legitimate business directed by his or her parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care and custody of such person. The Chief of Police of the Town of San Anselmo is hereby empowered and authorized to impound any motor vehicle which is being operated or used in violation of this ordinance.

SECTION 7. Any minor who shall violate any of the provisions of this Ordinance, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to the provisions of Chapter 2, Division 2, of the Welfare and Institutions Code of the State of California.

SECTION 8. This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace and safety, which makes it imperative that this Ordinance shall become effective forthwith; the facts constituting such emergency are: that the present conditions have so affected the affairs in the Town of San Anselmo that it is necessary to preserve the public peace, safety, morals and welfare by restricting the presence of minors in the streets and other public places, and particularly for the purpose of curtailing juvenile delinquency.

SECTION 9. This Ordinance shall be published once according to law in the San Anselmo Times, a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the said Town and thenceforth shall be in full force and effect.

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council held on Jan 12, 1951, and was adopted by the said City Council on June 21, 1951, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Skinner - O'Hara - Smith - Booth
NOES:
ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: 

CARMELO H. BOOTH, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ray M. Overdick,
City Clerk