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ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 27, SECTION 1206, PROHIBITING OBSTRUCTION OF ANY STREET, ALLEY, CROSSWALK, SIDEWALK, DRIVEWAY, OR TRAIL USED FOR THE PASSAGE OF PEDESTRIANS; ESTABLISHING A PENALTY AND AN AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TULSA:

Section 1. That Title 27, Section 1206, Tulsa Revised Ordinances, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- “A. It shall be unlawful and an offense for any person to obstruct any street, alley, crosswalk, sidewalk, driveway, or trail used for the passage of pedestrians, as defined by Title 37 Section 100, vehicles, or bicycles to which the public or a substantial group of the public has access, unless allowed by the terms of a license or permit issued by the City.
- B. It shall be unlawful and an offense for any person to obstruct any curb ramp, accessibility ramp, doorway, or similar point of access or egress for the locations listed in Subsection A.
- C. As used in this section, ‘obstruct’ means to interfere with the use for the intended purpose or render passage unreasonably inconvenient or hazardous, including for persons with disabilities, whether the obstruction arises from a person’s acts alone or from a person’s acts combined with the acts of others, and whether the obstruction is caused by a person’s body, materials or equipment in the possession of or used by the person, or any combination of these.
- D. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offense and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), excluding costs, fees and assessments. If an obstruction arises solely from materials, objects, or equipment, each day such violation is committed or permitted to continue shall constitute a separate offense.
- E. It shall constitute an affirmative defense to a violation of this section if the obstruction caused by a person is as a result of an injury or equipment failure for which the person must be rendered aid to clear the obstruction and a person accepts aid when offered by a peace officer or other city official.”

Section 2. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance or any part thereof is for any reason found to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance or any part thereof.

ADOPTED by the Council: _____
Date

Chair of the Council

ADOPTED as an emergency measure: _____
Date

Chair of the Council

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Received by the Mayor: _____, at _____
Date Time

G.T. Bynum, Mayor

By _____
Secretary

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Tulsa, Oklahoma: _____
Date
at _____
Time

Mayor

(Seal)
ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED:

City Attorney