

CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

ORDINANCE NO. 60

AN ORDINANCE RESTRICTING MINORS ADMISSION TO AND ATTENDANCE AT CERTAIN MOVIES RATED "R" AND "X" UNDER STANDARDS OF THE MOTION PICTURE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA AND FIXING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF SUCH RESTRICTIONS.

WHEREAS, the Motion Picture Association of America has established classifications for moving pictures relating to their fitness to be viewed by juvenile minors, and

WHEREAS, the said Association has fixed "R" ratings on some motion pictures which restricts attendance by children under age 17 unless accompanied by a parent or adult guardian, and likewise has fixed "X" ratings on some motion pictures which restricts attendance to persons 18 years or older, and

WHEREAS, motion pictures of "R" and "X" ratings are exhibited in Bethel from time to time and attended by underage persons according to the said rating standards and their intent: all of which is contrary to the general and common good and moral standards of the community of Bethel, Alaska.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City of Bethel, Alaska, ordains:

Section 1. No person shall knowingly permit anyone under the age of 18 years to enter into or remain in any enclosed or open area where motion pictures are being exhibited which have been given an "X" rating according to the rating standards established by the Motion Picture Association of America.

Section 2. No person shall knowingly permit anyone under the age of 17 years who is not accompanied by a parent or adult guardian to enter into or remain in any enclosed or open area where motion pictures are being exhibited which have been given an "R" rating according to the rating standards established by the Motion Picture Association of America.

Section 3. "Person" is defined, for the purposes of this ordinance, as any individual, owner, employee, agent, corporate officer or manager who is working as or for an exhibitor of motion pictures in an area during and wherein "X" or "R" rated motion pictures are being exhibited.

Section 4. Any person who is convicted of a violation of Section 1 or Section 2 of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$ 500.00, or by imprisonment for 30 days, or both.

Passed and approved this _____ day of _____, 1973,
by vote of _____ ayes and _____ neys.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

CITY CLERK, CITY OF BETHEL

MAYOR, CITY OF BETHEL