ORDINANCE 1149

AN ORDINANCE GOVERNING THE REGULATION OF TRUANCY IN THE VILLAGE OF PEORIA HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS

WHEREAS, the Village of Peoria Heights (the Village) is a home rule municipality in accordance with the Constitution of the State of Illinois of 1970; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Peoria Heights, as a Home Rule Unit, may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to regulate truancy in the Village of Peoria Heights;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF PEORIA HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS:

SECTION ONE: It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of eighteen (18) years enrolled in a public, private or parochial school and residing within the corporate limits of the Village to absent himself or herself from attendance at school without parental permission. Any person who shall so absent himself or herself shall be guilty of the offense of truancy and be subject to the penalties hereinafter set forth.

SECTION TWO: Emergency or unforeseen absences due to illness or other causes beyond the control of the person so absenting himself or herself from school without parental permission shall not constitute truancy if permission for such absence has substantially be obtained from the parent or legal guardian.

SECTION THREE: It is unlawful for a parent, legal guardian or other person to knowingly permit a person in his custody or control to violate Section One of this Ordinance.

SECTION FOUR: Any person violating Section One shall be fined an amount not less than \$60.00 or more than \$500.00 for each offense. Each day during which or on which any person violates Section One hereof shall be deemed a separate offense.

SECTION FIVE: That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF PEORIA HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS THIS 1514 DAY OF 1999.

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