ORDINANCE 14- 5

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PREVIOUS ORDINANCES THAT MAKE UP THE ESTABLISHED TRAFFIC CODE; TO REFLECT CURRENT VALUES; TO DETER VIOLATORS; AND TO PROMOTE THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF SAID CITIZENS OF THE VILLAGE.

WHEREAS: The Village has established by ordinances an established Parking Code as codified in Sections 351.01 through 351.19; and

WHEREAS: Council desires to amend previous ordinances to reflect current values, and

WHEREAS: The present fine structure is not adequate to deter violators of the existing traffic and parking codes;

THEREFORE: The Village hereby enacts the following:

That Sections 351.01 through 351.19, with the exception of Section 351.03 (a) (4), Section 3351.03 (a) (10), Section 351.04, and Section 351.09, be amended to impose a minimum fine of thirty dollars (\$30.00), with a penalty of an additional five dollars (\$5.00) if the fine is not paid within 48 hours of issuance of the citation for any of the parking offenses found in Sections 351.01 through 351.19, for a first offense.

That **Section 351.03** (a) (4) be amended as follows:

Within ten feet of a fire hydrant; the minimum fine imposed for a violation of this section shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75.00), with a penalty of an additional five dollars (\$5.00) if the fine is not paid within 48 hours of issuance of the citation for this offense.

That **Section 351.03** (a) (10) be amended as follows:

Within twenty feet of a driveway entrance to any fire station and, on the side of the street opposite the entrance to any fire station, within seventy-five feet of the entrance when it is properly posted with signs; the minimum penalty for a violation of this section shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75.00), with a penalty of an additional five dollars (\$5.00) if the fine is not paid within 48 hours of issuance of the citation for this offense.

That **Section 351.03** (b) be amended as follows:

Except as otherwise provided in Section 351.03 (a) (1) through (19), whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. If, within one year of the offense,

the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one predicate motor vehicle or traffic offense, whoever violates Section 351.03 (a) (1) through (19) is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If, within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of two or more predicate motor vehicle or traffic offenses, whoever violates Section 351.03 (a) (1) through (19) is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree. (ORC 4511.68)

That **Section 351.03** (c) be repealed in its entirety.

That **Section 351.09** (b) be amended as follows:

Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor on a first offense; the minimum penalty for a violation of this section shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75.00), with a penalty of an additional five dollars (\$5.00) if the fine is not paid within 48 hours of issuance of the citation for this offense. On a second offense within one year after the first offense, the offender is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree; on each subsequent offense within one year after the first offense, the offender is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: //- 3-14

MAYOR

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL