

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLES

WHEREAS, an estimated 170,000 motor vehicles are abandoned each year in the United States;

WHEREAS, abandoned vehicles produce scenic blight which degrades the environment and adversely affects the proper maintenance and continuing economic development of Scott County;

WHEREAS, abandoned vehicles constitute a public nuisance, detrimental to the welfare and convenience of the inhabitants of Scott County;

WHEREAS, the Scott County Fiscal Court declares that it is the policy of Scott County to prohibit the abandonment of vehicles and to enforce such prohibition with adequate penalties pursuant to the Fiscal Court's authority under KRS 67.083;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE FISCAL COURT, FOR THE COUNTY OF SCOTT, COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, that:

Section 1. Definition of abandoned motor vehicle.

"Abandoned" when used in conjunction with the term vehicle, means:

- (a) Any vehicle located on public premises which does not have lawfully affixed thereto or displayed thereon a valid unexpired license plate permitting its operation upon the highways of the State of Kentucky, or
- (b) Any vehicle which is parked or located on public premises continuously without being moved for a period of forty-eight (48) hours, or
- (c) Any vehicle parked or located on public premises illegally or in such a manner as to constitute a hazard or obstruction to the movement of pedestrian or other vehicle traffic on a public right-of-way, street, or highway, or
- (d) Any vehicle that is over five (5) years old and mechanically inoperable, and is left unattended on private premises in a location which is visible from public premises for more than thirty (30) days, or
- (e) Any vehicle that has remained on private premises without the consent of the owner or person in control of such premises, for more than forty-eight (48) hours, or
- (f) Any vehicle from which there has been removed the engine or transmission or differential or which is otherwise partially dismantled or inoperable and left unattended on private premises in