ORDINANCE NO. ____ OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT ARTICLE X OF CHAPTER 42 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO CHARITABLE SOLICITATION AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened that Section 42-325(c) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport is hereby amended and enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 42-325. Solicitation of funds and distribution of literature by religious organizations, charities and philanthropic institutions; permit required.

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(c) Any solicitation of funds or distribution of literature or merchandise authorized by this section which is undertaken on the public streets of this city or where the drivers of motor vehicles operated on the streets of this city are solicited for funds or given literature or merchandise shall occur only during daylight hours and shall not at any time be conducted on expressways, parkways or major arterial streets as defined in the subdivision rules and regulations adopted by the metropolitan planning commission or on any street where the speed limit is in excess of 25 miles per hour. No person soliciting funds or distributing literature or merchandise for a religious organization, charity or philanthropic institution shall tap or knock on the window of any motor vehicle in an attempt to solicit funds or distribute literature or merchandise, nor shall any such person obstruct or hinder the flow of traffic at any time while engaged in such solicitation of funds or distribution of literature or merchandise.

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BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this Ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this Ordinance which can be given affect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

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City Attorney's Office