RESOLUTION NO. 1884

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOLDEN CITY COUNCIL REQUESTING THAT THE GOLDEN MUNICIPAL COURT IMPOSE A FINE OF \$100 ON THE FIRST OFFENSE FOR VIOLATIONS OF MUFFLER-PREVENTION OF NOISE SECTION 225 OF THE MODEL TRAFFIC CODE AS ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF GOLDEN

WHEREAS, the City of Golden is a safe and peaceful, family-oriented community; and

WHEREAS, one of the main complaints that the City receives from residents and visitors is excessive noise from motorcycles; and

WHEREAS, the City has launched the "Silence Is Golden" campaign to respectfully remind motorcycles that they should operate their bikes in a quiet and friendly manner; and

WHEREAS, there are some motorcyclists that refuse to cooperate; and

WHEREAS, the Golden Police Department has a potentially effective enforcement mechanism in Section 225, Muffler- prevention of noise of the Model Traffic Code as adopted by the City; and

WHEREAS, Section 225 of the Model Traffic Code makes it unlawful to operate a motor vehicle which does not have an adequate muffler, which is properly maintained to prevent excessive noise and prohibits mufflers equipped with cut-off, bypass or similar devices or the modification of mufflers to amplify or increase the noise emitted beyond the vehicles original equipment; and

WHEREAS, members of the Golden Police Department have received specific training and are experienced in the enforcement of Section 225 of the Model Traffic Code; and

WHEREAS, City Council believes that this law will be even more effective with a \$100 minimum fine for a first offense.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO:

Section 1. Council respectfully requests that the Golden Municipal Court impose a minimum \$100 fine for the first violation of Section 225, Muffler-prevention of noise of the Model Traffic Code as adopted by the City of Golden.

Section 2. That the Court increases the fine, as it sees fit, for subsequent violations.

Adopted this 10th day of July, 2008.

Jacob Smith

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Susan M. Brooks, MMC

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

David S Williamson

City Attorney

I, Susan M. Brooks, City Clerk of the City of Golden, Colorado, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a certain Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Golden, Colorado at a regular business meeting thereof held on the 10th day of July, A.D., 2008.

ATTEST:

Susan M. Brooks, City Clerk of the City of

Golden, Colorado