AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF SAVANNAH, GEORGIA (2003) TO ADD SECTION 8-1003, LOCAL AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE CONCERNING UNLAWFUL PARKING OF CERTAIN VEHICLES ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, TO PART 8, PLANNING AND REGULATION OF DEVELOPMENT; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWIT; TO PROVIDE EFFECTIVE DATES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah, Georgia, in regular meeting of Council assembled, and pursuant to lawful authority thereof;

SECTION 1: The Code of the City of Savannah, Georgia (2003) is hereby amended by addition of a new Section 8-1003 to Part 8, Planning and Regulation of Development, Article A, Buildings in General, which shall be entitled “LOCAL AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE”, and which new section shall read as follows:

Sec. 8-1003. Local Amendments to the International Property Maintenance Code.

(a) Placement of Certain Vehicles on Residential Properties.

(i) It shall be unlawful to place any operable motor vehicle, boat, or trailer-type vehicle on any residential property, or to keep, store or allow any such vehicle to remain on a residential property except: (A) on an established driveway; or (B) housed in an enclosed legal accessory structure situated in a side or rear yard. It shall also be unlawful to park, keep, store or allow to remain any of the above described vehicles in a public right of way between a paved street edge and private property line.

For purposes of this subsection, an “established driveway” is an area on private real property at the end of an approved curb cut and approach apron that is: (A) no wider than the apron or twice the apron width if the apron is a single-wide apron; (B) includes solid pavement, pervious pavement, gravel and/or other City of Savannah-approved driveway surface materials; and (C) an open and notorious pathway routinely used for vehicles as a means of ingress or egress between real property and a public or private street or lane. Ribbon strip parking surfaces below vehicle wheels with grass or other pervious materials between ribbon strips are acceptable. Soil, mulch, pine straw or other organic materials shall not be considered acceptable “established driveway” surface materials.

(ii) It shall be unlawful to place any inoperable motor vehicle, boat, or trailer-type vehicle on any residential property, or to keep, store or allow any such vehicle to remain on a residential property, except when housed in an enclosed accessory structure which is lawfully situated in a side or rear yard or within an area on the property that is screened from view by neighboring properties by solid fencing.
SECTION 2:  All Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3:  This Ordinance shall be effective once signed by the Mayor.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED:____________________________

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MAYOR

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CLERK OF COUNCIL