ORDINANCE NO. 2021-20

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING LEAVING JUNK, UNLICENSED, OR ABANDONED VEHICLES ON PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PROPERTY

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Village of DeGraff, Ohio:

SECTION I: A vehicle shall be defined as junked, abandoned, or unlicensed if any of the following apply:

- A. The vehicle is partially dismantled;
- B. The vehicle is non-operating;
- C. The vehicle is wrecked; or
- D. The vehicle does not have secured to it the full number of current license plates required by the laws of the State of Ohio.

SECTION II: No person, firm, entity or corporation shall permit junked, abandoned, or unlicensed motor vehicles to be placed or collected on any street, alley, public ground, or privately-owned property within the Village of DeGraff, Ohio.

SECTION III: The prohibitions set forth in this Ordinance shall be activated by the Village Council issuing a written notice to the violating person, firm, entity or corporation to remove the junked or abandoned or unlicensed motor vehicle within fourteen (14) days of the service of the notice. The notice shall be served in a manner guaranteed to show actual delivery, which may include any of the following:

- A. Certified mail service, return receipt required;
- B. Personal service by the Logan County Sheriff's Office or any other entity providing police or sheriff services within the Village of DeGraff, Ohio;
- C. Residence service by a private service provider.

The notice shall state that the vehicle in question violates this section and shall instruct that the vehicle must be moved within fourteen (14) days after receipt of the notice. Failure to do so shall be a minor misdemeanor punishable as set forth hereinafter.

SECTION IV: Any person, firm, entity, corporation or otherwise in control of any violating vehicles shall be subject to a minor misdemeanor if the offending vehicle remains in the same condition more than fourteen (14) days after service of notice described by Section III above and, upon conviction thereof, be fined in an amount not to exceed One Hundred and Fifty Dollars

(\$150.00). The offense shall be a minor misdemeanor as is defined by the Ohio Revised Code. Each day such violation is committed or permitted to continue is a separate offense.

SECTION V: This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure made necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of said Village of DeGraff and this Ordinance shall, therefore, be in force and take effect immediately upon its passage and signature by the Mayor.

PASSED: (e-1-2)	
	President of Council
APPROVED:	Mayor Destrone
ATTEST:	Fiscal Officer
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