ORDINANCE NO. 2023-11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRANTVILLE, GEORGIA AMENDING CHAPTER 29, ARTICLE I OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GRANTVILLE TO ESTABLISH THE OFFENSES OF DESTRUCTION OF AND DAMAGE TO PUBLIC PROPERTY, MALICIOUS MISCHIEF AS TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND DEFACING PRIVATE SIGNS AND BUILDINGS; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; AND FOR ALL OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Section 1.04(l) of the Charter of the City of Grantville provides that the Mayor and Council of the City of Grantville has the authority, power and control "To define, regulate and prohibit any acts, practice, conduct, or the use of property, detrimental, or likely to be detrimental, to the health, morals, safety, security, peace, convenience or general welfare of the inhabitants of the city"; and

WHEREAS, Section 1.04(t) of the Charter of the City of Grantville provides that the Mayor and Council of the City of Grantville has the authority, power and control "To exercise and enjoy all powers, functions, rights, privileges and immunities necessary or desirable to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, good order, comfort, convenience, morals, and general welfare of the city and its inhabitants...; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the health, safety, security and welfare of the general public to establish general offenses for the damaging and defacing of public and certain private property in the City.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of the City of Grantville, Georgia, and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same that the following ordinance is hereby adopted:

SECTION ONE

Chapter 29, Article I is amended by adding as follows:

Sec. 29-13. Destruction of, damage to property—Public, generally.

It shall be unlawful for any person to damage, break, mutilate, alter, deface or in any other manner destroy or injure public property, either real or personal, belonging to or used by the city.

Sec. 29-14. Malicious mischief as to public property.

It shall be unlawful for any person to paint, mark, print or in any manner to deface or to paste advertising matter of any kind on any of the signs or public property within the city.

Sec. 29-15. Defacing private signs or buildings.

It shall be unlawful for any person to paste, glue or fix in any manner any cardboard or paper advertisement on, or to mark with paint, crayon or otherwise, any private sign or building within the city without permission of the owner.

SECTION TWO

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION THREE

If any section, clause, sentence or phrase of this ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way effect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

First Reading:	
SO ORDAINED in lawfully assembled open session thin 2023.	s 24th day of Apr.
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Attest: Kobert His	



Clerk