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AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PARADES
AND PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES

THIS ORDINANCE MAY
BE CITED AS

V.O. # 77-5-N-994

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Village of Skokie
to provide for the safe and orderly movement of traffic and people so as to
protect the residents of the Village of Skokie from disruption of essential
services, such as fire protection, program participation, and the orderly pursuit
of their activities.

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees are of the opinion
that the following regulations are necessary to provide for such purposes in
order to promote the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Village
of Skokie;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of
Trustees of the Village of Skokie, Cook County, Illinois:

Section 1: That Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the
Village of Skokie be amended by the addition thereto of Article XIII Parades and
Public Assemblies, as follows:

Article XIII. PARADES AND PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES

Sec. 27-50. Title. This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the
"Parade and Public Assemblies Ordinance of the Village of Skokie."

Section 27-51. Permit Required. No parade, public assembly or similar
activity, where the number of participants expected may reasonably be assumed
to exceed fifty (50) or more persons, and/or vehicles is permitted on any street
or area of the Village unless a permit allowing such activity has been obtained
from the Village Manager, or upon referral, to the President and Board of Trustees;
provided, however, that this Ordinance shall not apply to students going to and
from school classes, or participating in educational activities under the
immediate direction and supervision of school authorities or a governmental agency
acting within the scope of its functions, nor shall a permit be required for normal or
scheduled activities of the Village.

Sec. 27-52. Application. Any person, partnership, voluntary association,
corporation or other organization seeking to obtain a parade or public assembly permit
shall file an application with the Village Manager not more than ninety (90) days and
not less than thirty days (30) before the date for which the parade, public assembly
or similar activity is proposed.

1 Sec. 27-53. Contents. The application for a parade or public
2 assembly permit shall contain the following information:

- 3 a) The name, address and phone number of the person signing
4 the application.
- 5 b) If the parade, public assembly, or similar activity is
6 proposed to be conducted for, on behalf of, or by an
7 organization, the name, address, and phone number of the
8 authorized and responsible leaders of the organization
9 conducting the parade or public assembly, and the name,
10 address and telephone number of the headquarters of the
11 organization.
- 12 c) The date of the proposed parade or public assembly and
13 the hours that it will commence and terminate.
- 14 d) The location of the assembly area and the time when the
15 activity will begin to assemble.
- 16 e) The route to be travelled, starting point and the
17 termination point.
- 18 f) The approximate number of persons, animals and vehicles
19 to participate in the parade, public assembly, or similar
20 activity.
- 21 g) A statement as to whether the parade or public assembly
22 will occupy all or only a portion of the width of the
23 streets proposed to be traversed.
- 24 h) The interval of space to be maintained between units of
25 such parade, public assembly or similar activity.
- 26 i) If the parade, public assembly or similar activity is
27 designed to be held by and on behalf of, or for any person,
28 partnership, voluntary association, corporation or other
29 organization other than the applicant, the applicant for
30 such permit shall file with the Village of Skokie a
31 communication in writing from such person or from an
32 authorized and responsible leader of such organization
33 authorizing the applicant to apply for the permit on
34 behalf of such person or organization.
- 35 j) Any additional information which the Village Manager or
36 President and Board of Trustees shall find reasonably
37 necessary to a fair determination as to whether a permit
38 should be issued.

39 Sec. 27-54. Insurance Required. No permit shall be issued
40 to any applicant until such applicant procures Public Liability
41 Insurance in an amount of not less than Three Hundred Thousand Dollars
42 (\$300,000.00) and Property Damage Insurance of not less than Fifty
43 Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00). Prior to the issuance of the permit,
44 certificates of such insurance must be submitted to the Village
45 Manager for verification that the company issuing such insurance
46 is authorized to do business and write policies of insurance in the
47 State of Illinois.

1 Sec. 27-55. Late Applicants. The Village Manager or President
2 and Board of Trustees, when good and compelling cause is shown
3 therefor, may consider an application hereunder which is filed less than
4 thirty (30) days before the date such parade, public assembly or
5 similar activity is proposed to be conducted.

6 Sec. 27-56. Standards for Issuance. The Village Manager or
7 President and Board of Trustees shall issue a permit as provided for
8 hereunder when, from a consideration of the application and from such
9 other information as may otherwise be obtained, it is found that:

- 10 a) The conduct of the parade will not substantially interfere
11 with the safe and orderly movement of traffic in the area
12 contiguous to the route.
- 13 b) The activity will not create an imminent danger of a sub-
14 stantial breach of the peace, riot, or similar disorder.
- 15 c) The conduct of the parade, public assembly, or similar
16 activity will not portray criminality, depravity or lack
17 of virtue in, or incite violence, hatred, abuse or hostility
18 toward a person or group of persons by reason of reference
19 to religious, racial, ethnic, national or regional affilia-
20 tion.
- 21 d) There are available at the time of the parade, public
22 assembly, or similar activity a sufficient number of peace
23 officers to police and protect lawful participants in the
24 activity and maintain adequate police protection in the
25 rest of the Village of Skokie.
- 26 e) The concentration of persons, animals and vehicles at the
27 assembly points of the parade, public assembly, or
28 similar activity will not unduly interfere with the proper
29 fire and police protection of, or ambulance service to
30 areas contiguous to such assembly areas.
- 31 f) The activity will not interfere with scheduled Village
32 functions or the normal pursuit of activities
33 of the residents of the Village of Skokie.
- 34 g) The conduct of such parade, public assembly, or similar
35 activity will not interfere with the movement of fire
36 fighting equipment enroute to a fire.
- 37 h) The parade is scheduled to move from its point or origin
38 to its point of termination expeditiously and without
39 unreasonable delays enroute.
- 40 i) The parade, public assembly, or similar activity is not
41 being conducted for an unlawful purpose or for the sole
42 purpose of advertising any product, goods or event and
43 is not designed to be held purely for private profit.

1 j) The applicant has complied fully with the insurance
2 requirements set out in Section 5 of this Ordinance.

3 Sec. 27-57. Time for Approval or Denial. Following the receipt
4 of an application or re-application, the Village Manager shall either
5 within ten (10) working days, either issue such permit or deny same.
6 In the event the Village Manager denies the application or re-
7 application, the matter shall be referred to the President and Board
8 of Trustees at a meeting scheduled not more than twenty-one (21)
9 days after the denial of the permit application or at any special
10 meeting of the President and Board of Trustees called for such
11 purpose not more than twenty-one (21) days after the filing of the
12 permit application. In the event the President and Board of Trustees
13 concurs in the Village Manager's denial, the reasons therefor shall
14 be stated and published in the minutes, and the Village Manager
15 shall mail to the applicant within twenty-three (23) days after the
16 date upon which the denial was made a notice of the action of the
17 President and Board of Trustees stating the reasons for the denial
18 of the permit. The action of the President and Board of Trustees
19 shall be subject to judicial review in accordance with the pro-
20 visions of the Administrative Review Act, Sections 264 and sub-
21 sequent sections of Chapter 110 of the Illinois Revised Statutes
22 of 1975.

23 Sec. 27-58. Alternative Permit. The Village Manager or
24 President and Board of Trustees in denying a permit application shall
25 be empowered to authorize the conduct of a parade, public assembly,
26 or similar activity on a date, at a time, at a location or over a
27 route different from that named by the applicant. An applicant
28 desiring to accept an alternate permit shall within two (2) days
29 after notice of the action by the Village Manager and Board of
30 Trustees file a written notice of acceptance with the Village Manager.
31 An alternate permit shall conform to the requirements of and shall
32 have the effect of a parade or public assembly permit.

1 Sec. 27-59. Notice to Officials. Immediately upon the issu-
2 ance of a parade or public assembly permit, the Village Manager
3 shall send a copy thereof to the following:

- 4 a) The Police Chief of the Village of Skokie.
- 5 b) The Fire Chief of the Village of Skokie.
- 6 c) The Corporation Counsel of the Village of Skokie.

7 Sec. 27-60. Contents of Permit. Each parade or public
8 assembly permit shall state the following information:

- 9 a) Starting time.
- 10 b) Minimum speed.
- 11 c) Maximum speed.
- 12 d) Maximum interval of space to be maintained between the
13 units of the parade or public assembly.
- 14 e) The portions of the streets to be traversed that may be
15 occupied by the parade or public assembly.
- 16 f) The maximum length of the parade or public assembly in
17 miles or fractions thereof.
- 18 g) Such other information as the Village Manager and Board
19 of Trustees shall find necessary to insure the enforce-
20 ment of this Ordinance.

21 Sec. 27-61. Duties of Permittee. A permittee hereunder shall
22 comply with all permit directions and conditions and with all
23 applicable laws and ordinances. One of the authorized and responsible
24 leaders of the organization conducting the parade, public assembly,
25 or similar activity, shall carry the parade or public assembly permit
26 upon his person during the conduct of the parade.

27 Sec. 27-62. Public Conduct During Parades, Public Assemblies
28 or Similar Activities:

- 29 a) Interference. No person shall unreasonably hamper,
30 obstruct, impede or interfere with any parade, public
31 assembly or similar activity, or with any person,
32 vehicle or animal participating or used in such activity.
- 33 b) Driving Through Parades, Public Assemblies, or Similar
34 Activities. No driver of any vehicle shall drive between the
35 vehicles or persons comprising a parade, public assembly,
36 or similar activity when such vehicles or persons are in
37 motion and are conspicuously designated as a parade,

public assembly, or similar activity; provided, however, that Fire and Police vehicles and ambulances may interrupt a parade, public assembly, or similar activity in an emergency situation.

- c) **Parking on Parade or Public Assembly Route.** The Village Manager or President and Board of Trustees shall have the authority to prohibit or restrict the parking of vehicles along a highway or part thereof constituting a part of the route of a parade, public assembly, or similar activity. The Village Manager or President and Board of Trustees shall order the posting of signs to such effect and it shall be unlawful for any person to park or leave unattended any vehicle in violation thereof. No person shall be liable for parking on a street unposted in violation of this Ordinance.

Sec. 27-63. Revocation of Permit. The Village Manager or President and Board of Trustees shall have the authority to revoke a parade or public assembly permit issued hereunder if, at any time, facts are brought to the attention of the Village Manager or President and Board of Trustees which show that the parade, public assembly, or similar activity does not, or will not, comply with the standards for issuance as herein set forth.

Sec. 27-64. Waiver of Provisions. The President and Board of Trustees may, with the consent of all members of the Board present at any meeting thereof, waive any provision of this ordinance.

Sec. 27-65. Penalties. Any person who knowingly interferes with any person or organization lawfully conducting a parade or public assembly, or any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not less than Five Dollars (\$5.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each offense.

Sec. 27-66. Separability. If any provision contained in this Ordinance is found to be invalid, such provision shall be deemed to be separable and shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

Sec. 27-67. Ordinance Repealed. All ordinances or provisions of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance or any of the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent that they conflict with this Ordinance or any provision of this Ordinance.

1 Section 2: This Ordinance shall be in full force and
2 effect from and after its passage, approval and publication, as
3 required by law.

4 ADOPTED this 2nd day of May, 1977.


Village Clerk

Ayes 1

Mays 0

Absent 0

Approved by me this _____ day
of _____, 1977



President, Village of Skokie

Attested and filed in my
office this _____ day
of _____, 1977;
and published as required by
law this _____ day of
_____, 1977.

Village Clerk