

ORDINANCE NO. 1578

**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE PLACEMENT AND USE OF
DONATION BOXES IN THE CITY OF CREST HILL, ILLINOIS**

WHEREAS, the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/11-60-2, authorizes municipalities to define, prevent, and abate nuisances; and

WHEREAS, donation boxes have been proliferating throughout the City of Crest Hill, some of which appear to be associated with for-profit entities; and

WHEREAS, many of the donation boxes are not regularly collected or maintained and have become unsightly areas and overflowing depositories for discarded items or refuse; and

WHEREAS, many of the donation boxes are located in parking lots, front yards or parking spaces without screening from the public right-of-way or adjacent properties; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crest Hill desires to reduce, eliminate and curb the public nuisances created by said donation boxes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CREST HILL, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The preamble of this Ordinance is declared to be true and correct and is incorporated by reference herein.

SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS.

Donation Box: Any receptacle or container located outside of an enclosed building designed, intended or used for collection and storage of donated items or materials including, but not limited to, furniture, clothing, shoes, books and other like items.

SECTION 3: DONATION BOXES PROHIBITED.

No person shall place, use or allow the installation or operation of a donation box within the City of Crest Hill. The owners, lessee or other person or legal entity in control of the property where a donation box is maintained in violation of this ordinance and the owner or operator of said box shall each be liable for any violation of this Section.

SECTION 4: PENALTY.

Any person, business entity, firm or corporation violating the provisions of this subchapter shall be fined not less than \$50 nor more than \$750 for each violation, and each day such violation shall continue shall be deemed a separate offense.

SECTION 5: Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this ordinance is held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any other provision of this ordinance.

SECTION 6: Repealer. All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, which conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

SECTION 7: Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect beginning November 1, 2011.

PASSED THIS 6th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2011.

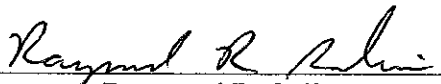
AYES: 8 Gazal, Dyke, Vershay, Hells, Oberlin, Sternisha, Conway and Inman

NAYS: 0


ABSENT: 0


Christine Vershay-Hall, City Clerk

APPROVED THIS 6th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2011.


Raymond R. Soliman, Mayor

ATTEST:


Christine Vershay-Hall, City Clerk