

TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

ORDINANCE NO. 1155

BEING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 280 AND 525,  
THE SAME BEING ORDINANCES RELATING TO PUBLIC NUISANCES  
AND PROHIBITING THE DAMAGE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, did, on September 10, 1962, pass Ordinance No. 280, the same being an ordinance prohibiting damage, cutting, injuring, marking, or defacing public property; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, did, on February 11, 1980, pass Ordinance No. 525, the same being an ordinance prohibiting the creation or maintaining of a public nuisance within the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, and providing penalties for violation thereof; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, that it is in the best interest of the public and the general citizenry of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, that the foregoing ordinances be re-visited and amended; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, hereby finds that it would be in the best interest of the public and the general citizenry of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, to include as a penalty for the defacing or damage of public property a higher fine, and additionally the cost of repair and/or replacement of the damaged property, as well as subsequent cleanup.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, that Ordinance No. 280 and Ordinance No. 525, when in conflict herewith, shall be amended and shall include the following:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person or entity to damage, cut, injure, mark, or deface any public property of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, including real or personal property, and including, but not limited to, all equipment owned by the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana.

Section 2. A violation of this provision shall be punished by a fine of a minimum of \$100.00 not to exceed \$2,500.00; that every day any violation of this ordinance shall continue shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 3. In addition to the fine for a violation of this

ordinance shall be added the cost of repairing and/or the replacement of the damaged item of property or equipment as well as the general clean-up required due to said violation.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that other ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict with provisions of this ordinance are hereby deemed null, void, and of no legal affect, and are specifically repealed.

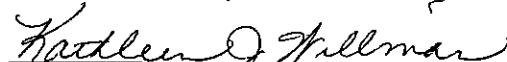
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Ordinance No. 280 and 525 when not in conflict herewith shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any section, clause, provision, or portion of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect any other section, clause, provision, or portion of this ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, declares an emergency and that this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Town Council pursuant to law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, this 27th day of January, 2000.

TOWN COUNCIL, TOWN OF ST. JOHN,  
LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA



KATHLEEN J. WILLMAN



KRISTIE L. ALDRIDGE



JEROME J. RUDY

ATTEST:

  
JUDITH L. COMPANIK  
Clerk-Treasurer