AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ALL FIREARMS, RESPECTING ARTICLE II, BILL OF RIGHTS CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES

WHEREAS the right to live, to live free, and to possess real and personal property is the most basic of all rights, and

WHEREAS the right to defend one's life, liberty, family and property is a natural, absolute right which cannot justly be compromised, and

WHEREAS the Constitution of the United States of America, recognizing that fundamental right, has guaranteed that every citizen has the inalienable right to keep (own, possess) and bear (carry, use) arms in defense of person, property, freedom and the state:

Now therefore be it declared, and hereby enacted by ordinance, that every adult citizen, being of good character, sound mind and legal age, is hereby recognized as having the right to keep and bear arms.

It is further declared that every citizen, especially every head of household, has the responsibility and duty to self, family and country to possess firearms and acquire the necessary knowledge for the safe and judicious use of said firearms; and they are encouraged, but not required, to do so.

Be it further declared that any statute, ordinance or regulation within this jurisdiction which in any way infringes on that right is hereby abolished.

Passed this 25th day of April 1983, by the governing body of Georgia, State of Vermont; as witnesseth our signatures herewith.

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