AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 600.150 AND ENACTING A NEW SECTION 600.150 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FRONTENAC, MISSOURI, RELATING TO THE NUMBER OF LIQUOR LICENSES PERMITTED

WHEREAS, the City of Frontenac currently limits the number of liquor licenses to a maximum of sixteen (16); and

**WHEREAS**, all sixteen (16) available licenses are currently held by approved operators subject to a public hearing process held annually by the Board of Alderpersons; and

**WHEREAS**, a suitable and qualified operator is expected to apply for a new liquor license and the Board of Alderpersons wishes to proactively raise the number of available licenses to accommodate that request in a timely fashion; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Alderpersons desires to raise the permitted number of available liquor licenses from sixteen (16) to twenty (20) to avoid future delays; and

**WHEREAS,** state law does not limit the number of licenses issued by any one city, and expanding that permitted ceiling by four (4) additional licenses will not cause a detriment to the community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF FRONTENAC, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

## **Section One.**

Sections 600.150 of Title VI of Chapter 600 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Frontenac, Missouri, is hereby repealed and a new Section 600.150 is hereby enacted in lieu thereof to read as follows:

TITLE VI.

**BUSINESS AND OCCUPATION** 

CHAPTER 205:

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES** 

ARTICLE II.

LICENSE REGUALTIONS

## **SECTION 600.150: ISSUANCE -- RESTRICTIONS**

Upon the filing of an application for a license under this Article, such application shall be presented to the Board of Aldermen at its next regular or special meeting, and, upon approval of such application by a majority of the Board and upon payment of the license tax provided for in Section 600.200, the City Clerk shall issue a liquor license to the applicant to conduct such business in the City; provided however, that not more than twenty (20) licenses for sales taxed under Section 600.200(7), (8) and (9) shall be issued or shall be in force and effect at any one time; and provided further that no such license shall be issued except to the owner, proprietor or keeper of a bona fide tavern, restaurant or hotel dining room where food is regularly or customarily sold at tables for consumption or on the premises at retail in the ordinary and usual course of the restaurant business; and provided further that there shall be no more than two (2) licenses for sales taxed under Section 600.200(5) and (6). Licenses for manufacturing, brewing, distilling or blending intoxicating liquors or manufacturing light wines taxed under Section 600.200(1--4) shall not be limited in number, and Sunday licenses and temporary license permits taxed under Section 600.200(10--15) shall not be limited in number.

## Section Two.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect for permit applications filed from and after its passage by the Board of Alderpersons and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERPERSONS OF THE CITY OF FRONTENAC, MISSOURI, THIS 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2023.

Presiding Officer

Attest:

Leesa Ross, City Clerk

## APPROVED THIS 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2023.

Kate Hatfield, Mayor

Attest:

Leesa Ross, City Clerk