CITY OF UNION CITY COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 397 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY ENTITLED "TOWING"

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.49, the City of Union City may, by ordinance, regulate the removal and storage of motor vehicles within the town; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 397 of the Code of the City of Union City (the "Code") entitled "Towing" sets forth the provisions governing towing and storage for these vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Commissioners believe that it is vital that vehicles that are towed from City streets be returned as expeditiously as possible to City residents so that those residents do not experience undue hardship for longer than is necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Union City, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION ONE

Chapter 397-14 entitled "Rules and regulations for towing and storage" of the Code of the City of Union City is hereby amended and revised to reflect the following in Subsection N:

Section 397-14 Rules and regulations for towing and storage.

N. The licensee shall make the necessary provisions to release a vehicle to the owner twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week.

SECTION TWO

<u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance, but shall remaining in effect; it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

SECTION THREE

Repealer. All Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, but only however, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, it being the legislative intent that all Ordinances or part of ordinances now existing or in effect unless the same being conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance shall remain in effect.

SECTION FOUR

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

I, ERIN KNOEDLER, HEREBY CERTIFY this to be a true and correct Ordinance of the City of Union City Board of Commissioners, introduced on December 20, 2016 and will be further considered after a Public Hearing held on at the 3rd of January, 2017 at Jefferson Elementary School, 3400 Palisade Avenue at 7 PM.

INTRODUCED: December 20, 2016

ADOPTED: January 3, 2017

ATTEST:

Erin Knoedler

Deputy City Clerk

DATE

Summary of Ordinance

This ordinance requires towing licensees to release a vehicle to the owner twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week.