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AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE CARRYING OF DEADLY WEAPONS OR INTERMEDIATE WEAPONS ON THE PROPERTY OF THE NEW ALBANY CITY / COUNTY BUILDING

WHEREAS, Floyd County is authorized pursuant to state law to define, regulate, and prohibit by ordinance acts detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of its citizens' and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to prohibit the carrying of deadly or intermediate weapons that may or may not be used in an act of violence in the New Albany City / County Building by the general public

NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED, By the Floyd County Commissioners that:

Sections 1. Prohibition

Carrying of deadly or intermediate weapons as defined below in or on New Albany City / County buildings now or hereafter owned, leased as lessee, operated, occupied, managed, or controlled by New Albany – Floyd County Building Authority is prohibited.

Definition of Deadly Weapons or intermediate weapons is defined as such:

FIREARMS

Firearms will not be permitted within the secured area of the City / County Building or on the premises including concealed license holders from all states and territories.

EXPLOSIVE / INCENDIARY DEVICES OR WEAPONS

Explosive / Incendiary devices or weapons will not be permitted within the secured area of the City / County building.

CHEMICAL WEAPONS

Chemical weapons will not be permitted within the secured area of the City / County building such as mace, pepper spray, or any other device designated to emit a debilitating chemical.

ELECTRONIC CONTROL DEVICES

Electronic Control Devices will not be permitted within the secured area of the City / County building such as Tasers or Stun Guns.

EDGED WEAPONS

Edged weapons including but not limited to knives, scissors, ice picks, and letter openers will not be permitted within the secured area of the City / County building.

CLUBS / STRIKING WEAPONS

Clubs / Striking Weapons including but not limited to batons will not be permitted within the secured area of the City / County Building.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Hazardous Materials will not be permitted within the secured area of the City / County building including but not limited to:

- a. All types of organic / in-organic corrosives, inhalants, or chemicals that are intended or could be used to inflict harm to humans or property.
- b. Any animals or reptile intended or that could be used to inflict harm to humans or property.

Sections 2. Posting of Signs Required

The County Sheriff or his or her designee is hereby ordered to post appropriate signage on each building or portion of the building now and hereafter owned that the carrying of deadly or intermediate weapons and concealed handguns is prohibited in Floyd County Buildings.

Section 3. Location of Signs

Signs prohibiting the carrying of deadly or intermediate weapons shall be posted so as to be visible prior to entering the building. The Floyd County Sheriff shall exercise the discretion in determining the necessity and appropriate location for other signs posted on the interior of the building.

Section 4. Exemptions

This ordinance shall not apply to the following:

- 1. By specific approval of the Floyd County Sheriff or by request of an elected official or department head to the Floyd County Commissioners or as authorized by court orders.
- 2. Law Enforcement Personnel performing official duties will only be admitted after proper identification is present to the security check point. (Including Probation Officers)
- 3. Deadly Weapons or Intermediate Weapons that are evidence in a trial will be admitted after notification is made to the corresponding court and approval is granted by the judge.

Section 5. Violations

Violations of this Ordinance shall be punishable as a misdemeanor as provided by law.

Section 6. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances

All Ordinances or any part of the Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

BE IT ORDAINED, that the Floyd County, Indiana, the New Albany City / County Building Security Policy can be changed by resolution by the Floyd County Commissioners.

BE IT ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon passage and two copies of this Ordinance will be forwards to the following legislative bodies: New Albany – Floyd County Building Authority, Floyd County Council, and New Albany City Council.

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DULY ADOPTED THIS 15th day of March 2011
Signature Page of FCO 2011
BOARD OF COMMISSONERS OF FLOYD COUNTY, INDIANA D. Mark Seabrook, President
Charles A. Freiberger, Member
Stephen A. Bush, Member

ATTEST:

Floyd County Auditor