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A N O R D I N A N C E

TO REGULATE THE ENTRANCES TO CELLARS OR BASEMENTS, ALSO THE COVERINGS TO OPENINGS FOR WINDOWS, ETC., AND TO REGULATE THE EXTENSION OF STEPS, PLATFORMS, PASSAGEWAYS, ENCLOSURES, BULK OR JUT WINDOWS, PORCHES, JAMBS, AWNINGS, OVERHEAD SIGNS, ETC., OR ANY OTHER PROJECTION OF A SIMILAR CHARACTER, ON, INTO OR OVER SIDEWALKS OR FOOTWAYS, IN THE BOROUGH OF BENTLEYVILLE, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AND TO IMPOSE A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

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BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED By the Burgess and Town Council of the Borough of Bentleyville, Washington County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same:

SECTION I. That it shall be lawful for all openings to cellars or basements, used as entrances to all buildings erected in the Borough of Bentleyville, and situate on any of the streets or public thoroughfares, except alleys, in said Borough, to extend out into the sidewalks or footway to the distance as hereinafter set forth, and no further:

1. When the sidewalk or footway is ten (10) feet wide or wider, measured from the street line to the outer margin of the curb, it shall be lawful to extend four (4) feet.

2. When the sidewalk or footway is nine (9) feet wide, measured as aforesaid, it shall be lawful to extend three and three-fourths (3-3/4) feet.

3. When the sidewalk or footway is eight (8)

feet, measured as aforesaid, it shall be lawful to extend three and one-half (3-1/2) feet.

4. When the sidewalk or footway is less than eight (8) feet, it shall be lawful to extend three (3) feet.

SECTION II. That all openings to cellars or basements shall be furnished with twin or folding doors made of iron of sufficient strength and quality so as to be safe for pedestrians, and the said doors when closed shall be level with the surface of the pavement, sidewalk or footway, and when said doors are open they shall stand in a vertical or perpendicular position with a bar or bars extending horizontally across the side fronting the street for the purpose of protecting pedestrians against accident, and all such doors shall be closed after business hours and during the night time; but when such openings to cellars or basements are used as a regular or general doorway by reason of being used as a place of business, or other private or public occupancy of a general nature, then such openings or doorways shall be protected with a guard rail of iron extending around said opening or doorway, except the place of entrance, which shall be a side entrance, leading off of said sidewalk or footway, and not a front entrance, and the said entrance shall be supplied with a gate, which, after business hours or during the night, shall be closed.

SECTION III. It shall be lawful for all steps, platforms, passageways, enclosures, bulk or jut windows, porches or jambs, swinging or business signs, or any other projection, to extend into or project over the sidewalk or footway in a manner and to the extent as hereinafter set forth, and not otherwise:

1. When the sidewalk or footway is ten (10) feet wide or wider, measured as aforesaid, then said steps,

platform, or other structure, when necessary for entrance to any building, shall not extend out further than four (4) feet from the street line.

2. When the sidewalk or footway is nine (9) feet or less, it shall be lawful to extend said steps, platform, or other structure, as aforesaid, three (3) feet, and no further, measuring from the street line.

SECTION IV. That all awnings, or other projections of a similar character, to buildings in the said Borough, shall not extend over the sidewalk or footway further than the outer margin of the curbstone of said sidewalk or footway, as prescribed by ordinances now or hereafter to be adopted establishing the width of sidewalks, pavements, etc., and all such awnings or projections, and all overhead signs, or projections of a similar character, shall be at least seven and one-half ($7\frac{1}{2}$) feet above the sidewalk, measuring from the surface of the sidewalk or footway to the lower margin of the said awning, sign, or other projection, as aforesaid.

SECTION V. That all openings in the sidewalks or footways, for the purpose of light or air to cellars and basements, shall be covered with substantial iron gratings of sufficient strength, which shall be level with the surface of the sidewalk or footway.

SECTION VI. That any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall first be notified by the Street Commissioner to remove the said obstruction, which shall be done in the manner as set forth in Sections V. and VI. of an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance providing for the appointment of a Street Commissioner, and designating his powers and duties in the Borough of Bentleyville, Washington County, Pennsylvania," and upon

failure to remove the cause of such obstruction, or to comply with the provisions of this ordinance, then the Street Commissioner, under direction as provided, shall, with such sufficient assistance as he may require, at the expense of the offending party or parties, remove the same, and the person or persons so offending against the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof before the Burgess or any Justice of the Peace in the said Borough, be subject to the payment of a fine of not less than Five (5) Dollars, and not exceeding treble the expenses of removing such obstruction, and the costs of such proceeding, and in default of the payment of such fine and costs be committed as provided by the ordinances of the said Borough regulating summary convictions.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED Into an ordinance this _____ day of _____, A. D. 1910.

ATTEST:-

President of Council.

Clerk.

APPROVED This _____ day of _____, A. D. 1910.

ATTEST:-

Burgess.

Clerk.