ORDINANCE NO. 2025-

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, IOWA, BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION TO CHAPTER 70 TRAFFIC CODE ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES.

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Independence, Iowa:

Section 1. NEW SECTION. The Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa is amended by adding a new Subsection 70.06(7), which is hereby adopted to read as follows:

70.06(7) Impoundment of vehicles for unpaid parking fines or repeated violations.

A. Determination of towing and impoundment. If any vehicle has accumulated a combination of parking violations, totaling \$75.00 or more, such vehicle may be towed and impounded, as hereafter provided.

B. Repeat offenders. Any vehicle which has been issued two tickets for violations of parking and restrictions as directed by Chapter 69 of this Code of Ordinances and is found to be in violation for a third time, shall, in addition to the imposition of a third parking ticket, be impounded by the City.

C. Prior to the release of said vehicle, all parking tickets and the cost of towing and impounding the vehicle shall be paid.

D. Only vehicles parked on public roadways, City owned parking lots, or easements/rights-of-way shall be eligible for towing/impoundment/booting under this section.

Section 2. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 4. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of Independence, Iowa, on this _____ day of _____2025.

Brad Bleichner, Mayor of the City of Independence, IA

Susi Lampe, IaCMC, IaCFO, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Independence, IA

First Reading: ______ Second Reading: ______ Third Reading: ______

ATTEST:

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. 2025-____ on the _____ day of ______

Susi Lampe, IaCMC, IaCFO,

Assistant City Manager/City Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Independence, IA