The City Council took up for consideration the matter of a certain proposed change in or amendment to the Laurel Code. Administration has requested various amendments and/or changes to <u>CHAPTER 11: HOUSING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE</u>; as found in the Laurel Code of Ordinances in order to bring this chapter into compliance with the adopted International Codes.

Whereupon motion was made by <u>Councilperson S. Comegys</u>, seconded by <u>Councilperson Thaxon</u>, for approval of the first Reading of the following addition to the Laurel Code of Ordinances.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Laurel that the Laurel Code of Ordinances be and the same is hereby amended as referenced below:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAUREL, MISSISSIPPI AMENDING <u>CHAPTER 11:</u> <u>HOUSING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE</u>; AS FOUND IN THE LAUREL CODE OF ORDINANCES IN ORDER TO BRING THIS CHAPTER INTO COMPLIANCE WITH THE ADOPTED INTERNATIONAL CODES.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL of the City of Laurel, Mississippi:

That the Laurel Code of Ordinances be amended by the following amendments to *Chapter11: Housing and Property Maintenance:*

That Section 11-5 Definitions be extended to add letters O and P which read:

- O. <u>Blight</u>: A condition on any lot, plat, parcel, vacant or occupied which presents with a condition of deterioration, decay, rot or rust of any material not properly maintained as necessary to permit human use as designed or intended when manufactured, produced or grown which may result in reduced property values, unsightly scenery, homelessness, vagrancy, loitering or vegetation overgrowth and/or illegal dump sites which may be brought as a complaint to/by the governing authority for intervention to reduce, eliminate or mitigate through Public Works, Legal, or Code enforcement action.
- P. <u>Nuisance</u>: A condition on any lot, plat, or parcel, vacant or occupied which presents a condition, or situation that causes concern, annoyance, discomfort, or creates a hazard to life or property and disrupts normal harmony within a community, neighborhood or municipality which may be brought as a complaint to/by the governing authority for intervention to reduce, eliminate or mitigate through Public Works, Legal, or Code enforcement action.

Upon its second reading, this Ordinance shall become effective one month from and after its passage.

SO ORDAINED this the 5th day of June A.D., 2018.

Upon roll call vote, the result was as follows:

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TRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL
TED TO THE MAYOR BY THE CLERK OF
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APPROVED() DATE
VETO () DATE
MAYOR

o:; Agn. No: 4G