no. 1069

AN ORDINANCE relating to the unauthorized rearing of the Uniform or Badge, or any facsimile thereof, of the King County Department of Public Safety, or impersonating a member thereof; adding new sections to the King County Code, and prescribing penalties.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

NEW SECTION SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for anyone:

- (a) To represent himself falsely to be a member of the Department of Public Safety, hereinafter referred to as "the Department" or a special member appointed pursuant to RCW 36.28.020;
- (b) To wear without authority of the Department's Director, uniforms or a distinctive part thereof, or any badge or insignia of the Department of Pullic Safety, or any facsimile of the aforementioned uniform, badge, or insignia;
- (c) To wear or carry upon his person or display upon a vehicle without the authority of the Department's Director, any object, device or lettering containing the words "King County Police Officer", "King County Deputy Sheriff", "King County Detective", "King County Patrol", or "King County Police", or any such words of a similar nature reasonably designed to create the impression such person is in any manner connected with the Department.

NEW SECTION SECTION 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, exchange, give away, or otherwise dispose of in any manner, without the authority of the Department's Director, any police badge or insignia issued or authorized by the Department.

MEN SECTION SECTION 3. It shall be unlawful for any person, except a member of the Department or such member appointed pursuant to RCW 36.28.020, to have in his possession any police badge issued or authorized by the Department or any facsimile thereof, with intent falsely to represent himself to be a member or special member of the Department.

NEV SECTION 4. The intent falsely to represent that a person is a member or special member of the Department shall be presumed upon discovery of such possession as referred in the immediately foregoing section; provided,

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however, that such presumption shall be rebuttable.

NEW SECTION SECTION 5. Any violation of or failure to comply with the provisions of this chapter shall subject the offender upon conviction thereof to a fine of not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) or to imprisonment for not exceeding ninety (90) days or both.

<u>NEW SECTION</u> SECTION 6. Should any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

PASSED by the Council at a regular meeting thereof on the 20 day of December, 1971.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Robert B. Dunn Chairman

ATTEST:

Administrator-Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 29th day of Acceste,

King County Executive