AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REVISING CHAPTER 14, SECTION 31 OF THE GILLETTE CITY CODE REGARDING HARASSING OR OBSCENE PHONE CALLS AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GILLETTE, WYOMING:

Chapter 14, Section 31 of the Gillette City Code is amended and revised in whole to read as follows:

- §14-31. Harassing or Obscene Phone Calls and Electronic Communications.
- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person, by means of electronic communication, originating within or received within the City of Gillette, to:
- 1. Make an unwelcomed comment, request, suggestion or proposal which is obscene, lewd, lascivious, filthy or indecent.
- 2. Make a telephone call or send an electronic communication, anonymously or otherwise, with the intent to abuse, intimidate, threaten, annoy, offend, or harass any person receiving the telephone call or electronic communication.
- 3. Makes or causes the telephone of another to repeatedly or continuously ring, with the intent to harass any person at the called number or numbers.
- 4. Makes repeated telephone calls or repeatedly sends electronic communications solely to harass any person receiving the calls or electronic communication.
- 5. Knowingly permits any telephone, smart phone, or electronic device to be used for any purpose prohibited under this section.
- 6. In conspiracy or concerted action with other persons, makes repeated telephone call or simultaneous calls solely to harass any person at the called telephone number.
- b. For purposes of this Section, the term "electronic communication" shall include, but is not limited to: land-line telephone calls, cellular telephone calls, electronic mail (email), text (SMS) messaging, or similar communication originating through or received by means of an electronic device.
- c. Any person found in violation of Section 14-31 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00).

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this	_ day of	, 2016.
	Louise Carter-King, Mayor	
(SEAL)		
ATTEST:		
Karlene Abelseth, City Clerk		
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