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ORDINANCE NO. _____.

**AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC;
AMENDING CHAPTER 32 OF THE OKLAHOMA CITY MUNICIPAL
CODE, 2010, BY AMENDING SECTION 32-479 OF ARTICLE XIV
REGARDING BICYCLES RIDING ON ROADWAYS, BICYCLE
ROUTES, BICYCLE LANES, AND BICYCLE PATHS.**

ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY:

SECTION 1. That Section 32-479 of Article XIV of Chapter 32 of the Oklahoma City Municipal Code, 2010, is hereby amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 32

MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

ARTICLE XIV. BICYCLES

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§ 32-479. Riding on roadways, bicycle routes, bicycle lanes, and bicycle paths generally.

- (a) Every person operating a bicycle upon a roadway shall ride as near to the right-hand side of the roadway as is safe, except when:
 - (1) exercising due care and overtaking or passing another bicycle, vehicle or pedestrian proceeding in the same direction;
 - (2) preparing for a left turn at an intersection or into a private road or driveway;
 - (3) reasonably necessary to avoid debris or other hazardous conditions and while exercising due care; or
 - (4) riding on a designated and signed bicycle route, in which case the bicycle operator may use the full outside or furthest right-hand through traffic lane.
- (b) Persons riding bicycles shall not ride more than two abreast except on bicycle paths.
- (c) When riding on roadways with designated bicycle lanes, the bicycle operator shall ride within the bicycle lane, except when:

- (1) overtaking or passing another bicycle, vehicle or pedestrian within the lane or about to enter the lane if such overtaking and passing cannot be done safely within the lane;
- (2) preparing for a turn at an intersection or into a private road or driveway; or
- (3) necessary to leave the bicycle lane to avoid debris or other hazardous conditions.

(d) No person operating a bicycle shall pass other vehicles between lanes of traffic traveling in the same direction.

(e) When overtaking and passing a motor vehicle proceeding in the same direction, a person operating a bicycle shall exercise due care by leaving a safe distance of not less than three feet between the bicycle and a motor vehicle until the bicycle is safely past the overtaken motor vehicle.

INTRODUCED AND READ in open meeting of the Council of The City of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, this ___ day of _____, 2015.

PASSED by the Council of The City of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on this ___ day of _____, 2015.

SIGNED by the Mayor of The City of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on this ____ day of _____, 2015.

MAYOR

ATTEST: (seal)

City Clerk

REVIEWED for form and legality.



Assistant Municipal Counselor