ORDINANCE NO. 11307
(April 18, 1974)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER V, ARTICLE 6, OF THE SAN DIEGO MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING THERETO SECTION 56.53, RELATING TO NUDITY ON PUBLIC LANDS.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter V, Article 6, of the San Diego Municipal Code be, and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto Section 56.53, relating to nudity on public lands, to read as follows:

SEC. 56.53 NUDITY ON PUBLIC LANDS
a. PURPOSE AND INTENT. The presence of persons who are nude and exposed to public view in or on public rights of way, public parks, public beaches or any other public land, or in or on any private property open to public view from any public right of way, public beach, public park, or other public land, is offensive to members of the general public unwillingly exposed to such persons. Nudity, if it is to be permitted to be exposed to public view, should be confined to a defined area. The provisions of this section are enacted for the purpose of securing and promoting the public health, morals and general welfare of all persons in the City of San Diego.
b. DEFINITIONS. Whenever in this section the word "nude" is used, it shall mean devoid of an opaque covering which covers the genitals, pubic hair, buttocks, perineum, anus or anal region of any person, or any portion of the breast at or below the areola thereof of any female person.

Whenever in this section the term "public right of way" is used, it shall mean any place of any nature which is dedicated to use by the public for pedestrian and vehicular travel, and includes, but is not limited to, a street, sidewalk, curb, gutter, crossing, intersection, parkway, highway, alley, lane, mall, court, way, avenue, boulevard, road, roadway, viaduct, subway, tunnel, bridge, thoroughfare, square, and any other similar public way.

c. NUDITY PROHIBITED. No person over the age of ten years shall be nude and exposed to public view in or on any public right of way, public park, public beach or waters adjacent thereto, or other public land, or in or on any private property open to public view from any public right of way, public beach, public park, or other public land, except in those areas of the public beach and adjacent waters designated by the Council of The City of San Diego by resolution as a "Swimsuit Optional" zone. The City Manager shall place appropriate signs marking the limits of said zone.

d. The provisions of this section shall not apply to live theatrical performances performed in a theater,
concert hall, or other similar establishment located on public land.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force on the thirtieth day from and after its passage.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

By John W. Wood, Deputy
Passed and adopted by the Council of The City of San Diego on

by the following vote:

Councilmen

- Gil Johnson
- Maureen F. O'Connor
- Lee Hubbard
- Leon L. Williams
- Floyd L. Morrow
- Bob Martinet
- Jim Ellis
- Jim Bates
- Mayor Pete Wilson

Years: ☑ ☐ ☐ ☑ ☐
Nays: ☐ ☑ ☐ ☑ ☐
Excused: ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Absent: ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

AUTHENTICATED BY:

PETE WILSON
Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

EDWARD NIELSEN
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

(Seal)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing ordinance was not finally passed until twelve calendar days had elapsed between the day of its introduction and the day of its final passage, to wit, on

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and on

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I FURTHER CERTIFY that the reading of said ordinance in full was dispensed with by a vote of not less than a majority of the members elected to the Council, and that there was available for the consideration of each member of the Council and the public prior to the day of its passage a written or printed copy of said ordinance.

EDWARD NIELSEN
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

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By: [Signature]

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