

**ORDINANCE**  
**CITY OF NEW ORLEANS**

CITY HALL \_\_\_\_\_

CALENDAR NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**NO. \_\_\_\_\_ MAYOR COUNCIL SERIES**

**BY: COUNCILMEMBERS GUIDRY AND CLARKSON**

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Chapter 54, Article VI, Division 5 of the Code of the City of New Orleans by adding Section 54-449, to make flight from an officer a municipal crime, to provide for penalties for conviction of this crime; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

1           **SECTION 1. THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS HEREBY**  
2 **ORDAINS**, that Division 5 of Article VI of Chapter 54 of the City Code is hereby amended and  
3 reordained to add Section 54-449 to read as follows:

4 **Section 54-449 Flight from an officer.**

5           (a) No driver of a motor vehicle or operator of a watercraft shall intentionally refuse  
6 to bring a vehicle or watercraft to a stop knowing that he has been given a visual  
7 and audible signal to stop by a police officer when the officer has reasonable  
8 grounds to believe that the driver has committed an offense. The signal shall be  
9 given by an emergency light and a siren on a vehicle marked as a police vehicle or  
10 marked police watercraft.

11           (b) Upon conviction for violation of subsection (a) of this Section, the offender shall  
12 be fined not less than one hundred fifty dollars, nor more than five hundred  
13 dollars, or imprisoned for not more than six months, or both.

**ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS \_\_\_\_\_**

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**PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL**

**DELIVERED TO THE MAYOR ON \_\_\_\_\_**

**APPROVED:**  
**DISAPPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**MAYOR**

**RETURNED BY THE MAYOR ON \_\_\_\_\_ AT \_\_\_\_\_**

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**CLERK OF COUNCIL**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**YEAS:**

**NAYS:**

**ABSENT:**