

**CITY OF HUMBLE**  
**ORDINANCE NO. 17-794**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUMBLE, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 18 "FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION", ARTICLE IV "FIRE CODE" SECTION 98 "ADOPTED", SUBSECTION A "MODIFICATIONS TO 2012 INTERNATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION CODE" BY CREATING ITEM 3 ADOPTING A LOCAL AMENDMENT TO REQUIRE FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEMS IN GROUP F-2 BUILDING CLASSIFICATIONS; PROVIDING A PENALTY UP TO \$2,000 PER DAY FOR EACH VIOLATION; AND MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO.**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Humble approved Ordinance 14-733 adopting the 2012 International Fire Code on April 24, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it a public necessity in the interest of health, safety and the general welfare of the citizens to adopt additional regulations that require fire protection sprinkler systems to be installed in Group F-2 building classifications;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUMBLE, TEXAS, THAT:

Section 1. The Code of Ordinances of the City of Humble, Texas, is hereby amended by adding Chapter 18, Article IV, Section 98, Subsection A, Item 3 to read as follows

**Sec. 18-98 Adopted.**

*(A) Modifications to 2012 International Fire Prevention Code.*

- 3) Chapter 9, Section 903.2.4 of the 2012 International Fire Prevention Code is hereby adopted with changes to read as follows: *An automatic sprinkler system* shall be provided throughout all buildings containing a Group F-1 and F-2 occupancy where one of the following conditions exist:
- a. A Group F-1 or F-2 *fire area* exceeds 10,000 square feet.
  - b. A Group F-1 or F-2 *fire area* is located more than three stories above grade plane.
  - c. The combined area of all Group F-1 and F-2 *fire areas* on all floors, including any mezzanines, exceeds 10,000 square feet.
  - d. A group F-1 occupancy used for the manufacture of upholstered furniture or mattresses exceeds 2,500 square feet or 232 square meters.

Section 2. In the event any clause phrase, provision, sentence, or part of this ordinance or the application of the same to any person or circumstances shall for any reason be

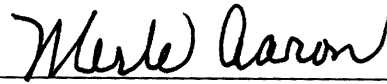
adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect, impair, or invalidate this ordinance as a whole or any part or provision hereof other than the part declared to be invalid or unconstitutional; and the City Council of the City of Humble, Texas, declares that it would have passed each and every part of the same notwithstanding the omission of any such part thus declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, whether there be one or more parts.

Section 3. That, this ordinance supersedes all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions stated herein.

Section 4. In accordance with Section 1-11 of the City Code, any person who shall intentionally, knowingly, recklessly, or with criminal negligence, violate any provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense.

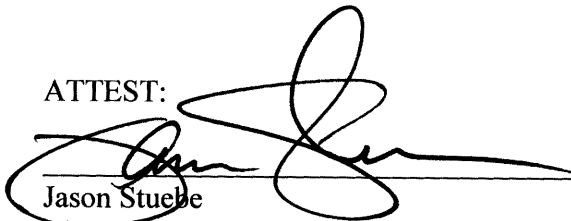
Section 4. This Ordinance shall become effective upon final reading and adoption of this Ordinance when the caption hereof is caused to be published once in the official newspaper of the City, by the City Secretary, within ten days after the passage of the ordinance, as required by law and Article II, Section 13 of the City Charter.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2017.



Merle Aaron  
Mayor

ATTEST:



Jason Stuebe  
City Secretary

