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# MEDIA RELEASE

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As spring quickly approaches the Moscow Mills Police Department would like to remind all property owners and citizens of Moscow Mills that the City of Moscow Mills Police Officers will begin increasing the enforcement of Municipal Codes, specifically the weeds and other nuisances under the following Municipal Codes.

### Chapter 51 -- Junk Yards and Junk Autos

**51.020**. Accumulation, storage, etc. prohibited. It shall be the duty of every tenant, occupant, owner or other person or persons managing the maintenance, occupancy, rental or use of any property for the owner thereof, to keep and maintain the said property within the limits of the City of Moscow Mills in such condition that junk, scrap metals, lumber, brush and other debris shall not accumulate, be stored or stockpiled thereon to such an extent that it becomes a public nuisance because of the reason that said actions endanger the health and welfare of the citizens of Moscow Mills.

**51.500** Abandoned vehicles prohibited. That no property owner or tenant of any property within the city limits of the City of Moscow Mills shall leave any motor vehicle, which has been dismantled, wrecked, junked, discarded, or abandoned on his premises, or premises that he is leasing, for longer than five (5) days, unless in a tightly enclosed building that makes the motor vehicle not visible.

#### Chapter 65 – Weeds

**65.010** Cutting of Weeds. It shall be unlawful for any owner or occupant of any property within the city limits to permit or maintain on any such property, any growth of weeds, grass or other rank vegetation to a greater height than ten (10) inches on the average, or any accumulation of

dead weeds, grass or brush. Same is hereby deemed to be a nuisance. Upon conviction, such person shall be punished as provided herein, and every day such nuisance is maintained shall constitute a separate and distinct offense. This ordinance shall not apply to any land used for the pasturing of animals or the growing of crops or vegetables.

#### **Chapter 68 -- Nuisances**

**68.010** Nuisances defined-The following are hereby declared to be nuisances: 1. Any act done or committed or suffered to be done or committed by any person, or any substance or thing kept, maintained, placed or found in or upon any public or private place within this city which is injurious, dangerous, annoying, unsafe or offensive to the public.

Citizens are asked to comply with all codes. Please evaluate your property for any violations and remedy any items identified. Compliance with these ordinances makes Moscow Mills an appealing city to both residents and visitors.

The complete ordinances may be found on the City's website (moscowmillsmo.com). Any questions pertaining to these codes or any other code may be directed to the Moscow Mills Police Department at 636-356-4612.