

**CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH
LEGAL NOTICE**

**ORDINANCE NO. 3972
Adopted by the City Council on MARCH 4, 2013**

“AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH AMENDING THE HUNTINGTON BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING CHAPTER 8.42 RELATING TO LOUD PARTIES OR OTHER ACTIVITIES”

SYNOPSIS:

THIS “SOCIAL HOSTING ORDINANCE” PROHIBITS THE HOSTING OR ALLOWING OF GATHERINGS AT WHICH MINORS ARE KNOWINGLY CONSUMING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES. SEVERAL CALIFORNIA CITIES HAVE INTRODUCED A SIMILAR ORDINANCE IN ORDER TO CURB GATHERINGS OR EVENTS WHERE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE SERVED OR CONSUMED BY UNDERAGE PERSONS. PART OF THE RATIONALE FOR THESE ORDINANCES IS REPORTS THAT CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL BY UNDERAGE PERSONS IS A MAJOR PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEM IN THE UNITED STATES.

THESE REGULATIONS ARE COMBINED WITH THE CITY’S EXISTING “LOUD PARTY” ORDINANCE IN CHAPTER 8.42 AND NOW FINE “RESPONSIBLE PERSONS” AND “HOSTS” WHO PROVIDE ALCOHOL BEVERAGES TO UNDERAGE PERSONS AT GATHERINGS OR EVENTS.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach at a regular meeting held March 4, 2013 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Sullivan, Boardman, Carchio, Shaw

NOES: Hardy, Harper

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Katapodis

THE FULL TEXT OF THE ORDINANCE IS AVAILABLE IN THE CITY CLERK’S OFFICE.

This ordinance is effective 30 days after adoption.

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JOAN L. FLYNN, CITY CLERK**