ORDINANCE 1992-3

Whereas, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Westport deems it is in the best interests of the residents of Westport to eliminate the number of abandoned vehicles on public and private property.

Be it resolved therefore that the following procedure shall be employed to help resolve this problem:

- 1. Sec. 1. "Abandoned vehicle" means the following:
 - (1) A vehicle located on public property illegally.
 - (2) A vehicle left on public property without being moved for three (3) days.
 - (3) A vehicle located on public property in such a manner as to constitute a hazard or obstruction to the movement of pedestrian or vehicular traffic on a public right-of-way.
 - (4) A vehicle that has remained on private property with out the consent of the owner or person in control of that property for more than fortyeight (48) hours.
 - (5) A vehicle from which the engine, transmission, or differential has been removed or that is otherwise partially dismantled or inoperable and left on public property.
 - (6) A vehicle that has been removed by a towing service or public agency upon request of an officer enforcing a statute or an ordinance other than this chapter if the impounded vehicle is not claimed or redeemed by the owner or the owner's agent within fifteen (15) days of the vehicle's removal.
 - (7) A vehicle that is at least six (6) model years old, mechanically inoperable, and is left on private property continuously in a location visible from public property for more than thirty (30) days.
- 2. It shall be unlawful for a person to own an abandoned vehicle in the town of Westport.
- 3. The owner shall be notified of the violation and notified of the time, date and location of the next regularly scheduled Town Board meeting.
- 4. The owner may present a proposed plan to remove the abandoned vehicle at said meeting or within ten (10) days thereafter. Failure to submit an acceptable plan within said time shall result in a citation being issued to the owner. Owner shall then have thirty (30) days to remove said abandoned vehicle.

- 5. At the expiration of the aforesaid thirty (30) day period, a fine of Five Dollars (\$5.00) shall be assessed each day the violation continues.
- 6. The maximum fine allowable shall be the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

Clifford Byard, President

Harry Pray Councilman

John Cromer, Councilman

ATTEST:

WESTPORT TOWN CLERK-TREASURER