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Kwahu West Municipal Assembly (Cleaning) Bye-laws, 2018

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Kwahu West Municipal Assembly by section 181 of the Local Governance Act, 2016 (Act 936), these Bye-laws are hereby made:

1. Unauthorized Structure

The Assembly may order the destruction or removal of any unauthorized structure attached to any bar or restaurant.

2. Removal of Articles Creating Obstruction or Danger

Where articles are arranged in front of a building in such a way that-

- (a) They constitute a danger of obstruction to any person or vehicle or
- (b) They provide accommodation of a sort for a person, animal or things they shall be removed without notice.
- (c) No person or group of persons shall heap building materials such as fine aggregates (sand), coarse aggregate (stone, gravel etc), blocks etc on or along tarred or un-tarred road.

3. No person shall Park Vehicle Goods, etc. in Public Pathway

A person who-

- (a) parks a vehicle; or
- (b) packs goods or other things in any public pathway or pavement commits an offence.

4. No Bills or Posters etc.

- (a) No person shall affix a poster/banner etc. for advertisement unless he/she has obtained a written permission after paying the prescribed fees to the Assembly.
 - (b) No person shall affix posters for advertisement on any wall, tree of fixtures, other than....
 - (a) the spaces specifically provided or approved by the Assembly for such purposes: or
 - (b) the property owned or occupied by the advertiser
- (2) Sub-paragraph (1) shall not apply to advertisements or posters for election or other notice initiated by the Government.

5. No Litter, Refuse etc. shall be Thrown into a Gutter or Drain

(1) A person who throws litter, refuse or other matter which may cause nuisance or block the free passage of

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water running in gutters or drains, commits an offence.

- (2) It shall be the responsibility of every commercial or industrial operator to clean his/her frontage and keep it neat at all time.
- (3) Where a commercial or industrial operator fails to clean his/her frontage, the Assembly through its appointed officers or agents shall draw the attention of the management to clean the premises within three days.
- (4) Where the management fails to undertake the cleaning within the period of three days the Assembly shall undertake the cleaning for an aesthetic purpose and charge the commercial or the industry concern a fee commensurate with the work undertaken.

6. Penalty for Obstructing Pupil Teacher or Leaner on Health Day

Where the Assembly under its powers appoints a HEALTH DAY, any person who on the Health Day obstructs-

- (a) any pupil or teacher of any of its schools; or
- (b) any other person authorized area of the administration, commits an offence and shall be liable to a fine not exceeding 5 penalty units or in default of payment of the fine six months imprisonment.

7. No Parking Cases etc. to be Packed to Obstruct Traffic or Road

No empty cases, spare parts of vehicles or derelict vehicles and other articles shall be placed, or allowed at places where-

- (a) They may cause obstruction to traffic or other users of the road: or
- (b) Their presence may be an eyesore; or
- (c) They are otherwise unpleasant to the public.

8. Frontage to Commercial and Industrial Buildings to be Cemented or Paved and Kept Clean

- (1) The frontage of every commercial or industrial building shall be concreted or cemented or solidly paved, slabbed, tied or cultivated by the owner or occupier to the satisfaction of the Municipal Engineer.
- (2) Where the owner or occupier of commercial or industrial premises does not comply with the provisions of sub-paragraph (1) of this paragraph the Municipal Engineer or the Town Planning Officer or any approved agent of the Assembly shall do so and surcharge the owner or occupier of the commercial or industrial building concerned.
- (3) Owners or occupiers of stores, shops, market stalls and market places shall keep their floors and frontages clean and clear of litter, rubbish or filth.
- (4) Where a person is permitted or licensed to trade, work or use for any purpose the frontage of a premise, the owner or occupier of the premises or other licensor shall severally or jointly be liable with the licensee for the defaults of that person under this paragraph.

9. Nuisance

A person who for the purpose of his/her trade, vocation or other business cause smell or other nuisance to the detriment of neighbours or the public commits an offence.

10. No Liability Lies against Authorized Persons

No person authorized by the Assemby to destroys, remove or otherwise dispose of anything under these Bye-law, shall be liable to any person for any loss however sustained.

11. Penalty

Except where remedy is expressly provided, any infringement or breach of any of these Bye-laws may be met with abatement by the Kwahu West Municipal Assembly with or without notice or be punishable by a fine not exceeding 15 penalty units in default of payment to a term of imprisonment not exceeding three months or to both.