

Introduced by: \_\_\_\_\_

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN INTERIM URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA  
TEMPORARILY PROHIBITING THE ISSUANCE OF MESSAGE  
ESTABLISHMENT PERMITS PURSUANT TO TITLE 17 OF THE PASADENA  
MUNICIPAL CODE**

WHEREAS, the City of Pasadena (“City”) has adopted the Land Use Element, and a Social and Economic Development Element, of its General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Element sets forth policies and goals toward the protection of residential neighborhoods, and the Social and Economic Development Element sets forth policies and goals toward land use planning that is protective of the social impacts of land uses; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Pasadena has expressed concern regarding actual and potential prostitution activity at massage establishments in the City, and the secondary effects such illegal activity may have on residentially zoned neighborhoods, particularly since there is no distance requirement between adult businesses and residentially zoned neighborhoods in the City’s Zoning Code; and

WHEREAS, there is no First Amendment protected right conferred upon massage establishments; and

WHEREAS, further regulation of massage establishments may reduce the potential for secondary effects commonly associated with such businesses on nearby residential areas; however, to better understand the land use and legal nuances of locational restrictions on massage establishments, City staff would need adequate time to study the matter; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that there is a current and immediate threat to the public health, safety and welfare because, without the moratorium, a massage establishment could be granted

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