ORDINANCE TO RESTRICT KEEPING OF INOPERABLE MOTOR VEHICLES ON RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF STANARDSVILLE AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REMOVAL OF SUCH VEHICLES

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Stanardsville, Virginia, in regular session:

1. That it shall be unlawful for any person to keep, except within a fully enclosed building or structure or otherwise shielded or screened from view, on any property zoned for residential or commercial or agricultural purposes any motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer, as such are defined in §46.2-100, of the Code of Virginia, which is inoperable. As used in this ordinance, an "inoperable motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle which is not in operating condition; or which for a period of sixty days or longer has been partially or totally disassembled by the removal of tires and wheels, the engine, or other essential parts required for operation of the vehicle or on which there are displayed neither valid license plates nor a valid inspection decal. As used in this ordinance, "shielded or screened from view" means hidden from sight by plantings or fences.
2. Further, (i) the owners of property zoned for residential, commercial or agricultural purposes shall, at such time or times as the Town prescribes, remove therefrom any such inoperable motor vehicles, trailers or semitrailers that are not kept within a fully enclosed building or structure; (ii) The Town through its own agents or employees may remove any such inoperable motor vehicles, trailers or semitrailers, whenever the owner of the premises, after reasonable notice, has failed to do so; (iii) in the event the Town, through its own agents or employees, removes any such motor vehicles, trailers or semitrailers, after having given such reasonable notice may dispose of such motor vehicles, trailers or semitrailers after giving additional notice to the owner of the vehicle; (iv) the cost of any such removal and disposal shall be

chargeable to the owner of the vehicle or premises and may be collected by the Town as taxes are collected; and (v) every cost authorized by this section with which the owner of the premises has been assessed shall constitute a lien against the property from which the vehicle was removed, the lien to continue until actual payment of such costs has been made to the Town.

This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

Adopted in Council Meeting Dec. 10, 2001

Jerry L. Barton - MAYOR

Attest:

Doris J. Comer, Clerk