ORDINANCE 76-33

An Ordinance to Repeal Section 4.04.100, Licensing Fortune Telling, from the Bloomington Municipal Code

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA THAT:

SECTION I. Section 4.04.100, Fortuneteller, is repealed from the Bloomington Municipal Code.

SECTION II. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 3 day of JUML, 1976.

Clem J. Blume, President Bloomington Common Council

AŢTÉST: Dolnick, City Clerk Karel

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana upon this 4 day of $f_{\rm MML}$, 1976, at the hour of 9 o'clock, a.m.

MM - (/ City Clerk

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon the δ day of junc, 1976, at the hour of |0 o'clock, A.m.

Francis X. McCloskey, Mayor City of Bloomington /

SYNOPSIS

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On 5 March, 1907, the City of Bloomington enacted an ordinance requiring a \$25 per day fee from anyone who practiced fortunetelling. In 1917, the state legislature enacted I.C. 35-18-8-1, <u>et seq</u>., which made it illegal to tell fortunes in the state of Indiana. Because the city cannot license an activity that the state has declared illegal, the 1917 law essentially made the city ordinance void.

This ordinance repeals this section of the Bloomington Municipal Code, and leaves any regulation of fortunetelling in the city up to the officials charged with enforcing state law.

76-33 I HEREBY MOVE THAT ORDINANCE BE INTRODUCED AND READ AT FIRST READING AT THE COUNCIL May 6 Z() MEETING ON

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