

CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, recently certain businesses have filed applications for the issuance of dance hall permits; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Memphis have fundamental rights to the greatest protection of their welfare and safety, and the democratic process should allow them to maintain the highest quality of life possible; and

WHEREAS, in the interests of the citizens of Memphis a Moratorium on all dance hall permits is deemed to be in the best interest of the public welfare to allow completion of a study and changes to City ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Memphis that the City hereby establishes a Moratorium on the issuance of dance hall permits by the Memphis Alcohol Commission and Permits Office, until July 06, 2011, applicable to all pending applications and all permits applied for from and after the date of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council desires to study a possible modification of the Dances and Dance Halls Ordinance to ensure its consistency with the sexually oriented business ordinance and to evaluate possible penalties and remedies available to the City in the event of a violation of the Dances and Dance Halls Ordinance.

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