

An ORDINANCE to RESPECTING HOURS of CERTAIN SUNDAY ALCOHOL SALES

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 18B-1004(c) made it unlawful to sell or consume alcoholic beverages on any licensed premises from the time at which sale or consumption must cease on Sunday mornings until 12:00 noon on that day; and;

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has, since the adoption of the aforementioned prohibition, enacted N.C.G.S. § 160A-205.3, permitting a municipality to adopt an ordinance allowing for the sale of malt beverages, unfortified wine, fortified wine, and mixed beverages beginning at 10:00 AM, on Sundays pursuant to the licensed premises' permit issued under N.C.G.S. § 18B-1001; and,

WHEREAS, Mills River Town Council deems it advisable, and in the best interest of the of the Town's residents, businesses and visitors to allow licensed premises to sell malt beverages, unfortified wines, fortified wines, and mixed beverages beginning at 10:00 AM on Sundays:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN OF MILLS RIVER TOWN COUNCIL:

THAT, the Mills River Town Council hereby declares that the sale of malt beverages, unfortified wine, fortified, wine, and mixed beverages shall be allowed on licensed premises within the Town beginning at 10:00 AM on Sundays pursuant to the licensed premises' permit issued under N.C.G.S. § 18B-1001.

SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Ordinance is for any reason held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

ADOPTED this the 13th day of July, 2017. **EFFECTIVE** July 14, 2017 at 12:01 AM.

Larry B Freeman

Susan L. Powell, MMC, NCCMC

Town Clerk/Finance Officer

