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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 8, CHAPTER 6, SECTION 4, OF THE ORLAND PARK VILLAGE CODE (OFFENSES RELATING TO WEAPONS) BY ADDING THERETO UNLAWFUL USE OF A WEAPON

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WHEREAS, the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Orland Park (the “Village”) have the authority to adopt ordinances and promulgate rules and regulations that pertain to its government and affairs and to protect the public health, safety and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to add the unlawful use of weapons to the list of offenses relating to weapons as presently set forth in the Village Code as hereinafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Orland Park, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1:

The above recitals are incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2:

Title 8, Chapter 6, Section 4, is hereby amended by adding the following Section 8-6-4-3:

“8-6-4-3: UNLAWFUL USE OF WEAPONS:

Definitions:

STUN GUN OR TASER: Any device which is powered by electrical charging units, such as batteries, and which may or may not fire one of several barbs attached to a length of wire, and which, upon hitting a human or upon contact with a human or clothing worn by a human, can send out a current capable of disrupting the person’s nervous system in such a manner as to render him or her incapable of normal functioning.

SWITCHBLADE KNIFE:

Any knife that opens automatically by hand pressure applied to a button, spring, coil or other device in the handle.

Unlawful Use, Sale, Etc.:

It shall be unlawful for any person within the Village of Orland Park to:

1. Sell, manufacture, purchase, possess or carry on their person, or in their vehicle, any bludgeon, black-jack, slung shot, sand club or sand club metal knuckles or other knuckle

weapon, throwing star or any knife commonly referred to or known as a switchblade knife;

2. Carry or possess with intent to use the same unlawfully against another, a dagger, dirk, billy, dangerous knife, razor, stiletto, broken bottle or other piece of glass, stun gun, taser or any other dangerous or deadly weapon or instrument of like character;
3. Carry or possess in any vehicle or concealed on or about his person, a stun gun or taser, except when on his land, in his abode, legal dwelling or fixed place of business.

Seizure and Removal:

The Police Department shall seize, take, remove or cause to be removed at the expense of the owner, any weapons sold, manufactured, purchased, possessed, carried or used in any manner in violation of this Section. Following seizure, the seized weapon shall be inventoried and held by the Police Department as evidence for any hearing or court proceeding relating thereto, and will be released to the owner only upon full completion of such proceedings including orders of disposition and in conformity with the provisions of this Section.

Penalty:

Any person who violates any provision of this Section shall upon conviction thereof, be subjected to a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) and not more than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00)."

SECTION 3:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.