CITY OF FIRCREST

ORDINANCE NO. 1684

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FIRCREST, WASHINGTON, AMENDING FMC 2.44.150, RELATING TO HOLIDAYS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Fircrest wishes to recognize June 19th as the date that commemorates the end of slavery in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, since its origin in 1865 in Galveston, Texas, the observance of June 19th (Juneteenth) as the African American Emancipation Day has spread across the United States and beyond; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to include the Juneteenth Holiday as a recognized, paid holiday at the City of Fircrest.

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIRCREST DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. FMC 2.44.150, Amended**. Fircrest Municipal Code Section 2.44.150, Holidays, adopted in Ordinance No. 1636, is hereby amended to read as follows:

2.44.150 Holidays.

(a) The following are recognized as paid holidays:

New Year’s Day – January 1

Martin Luther King, Jr.’s Birthday – 3rd Monday in January

Presidents’ Day – 3rd Monday in February

Memorial Day – Last Monday in May

Juneteenth – June 19th

Independence Day – July 4

Labor Day – 1st Monday in September

Veteran’s Day – November 11

Thanksgiving Day – 4th Thursday in November

Friday following Thanksgiving

Christmas Day – December 25

Any holiday falling on Saturday will be celebrated on the preceding Friday. Any holiday falling on Sunday will be celebrated on the following Monday. The employee must be on paid status the day prior and day after a holiday to qualify for holiday payment.

(b) Floating Holiday. In addition to the above holidays, each regular full-time employee

shall be granted eight hours’ floating holiday time each calendar year; provided the

employee has worked or is scheduled to work four consecutive months in the calendar year. Accumulated holiday time shall be taken in the year it is accrued, or lost.

(c) Date Holiday Observed. Any holiday falling on a Saturday will be celebrated the

preceding Friday. Any holiday falling on a Sunday will be celebrated the following

Monday.

(d) Condition of Payment. As a condition to payment for the holidays, an employee must

be in a paid status the scheduled workday immediately preceding a holiday and the

scheduled workday immediately following the holiday, unless excused by the city

manager.

(e) Regular Part-Time Employees. A regular part-time employee is not entitled to

compensation for a holiday unless the day it is observed falls on the employee’s

regularly scheduled workday. Regular part-time employees will be paid on a pro-rata

basis based on the established number of hours in their work week.

(f) Holiday Work. Nonexempt regular full-time or part-time employees will be paid for

the holiday plus two times their regular rate of pay for any time worked on the

holiday. Such time must be preauthorized by the city manager and/or his/her

designee.

(g) Religious Holidays. If an employee’s religious beliefs require observance of a holiday not included in the basic holiday schedule, the employee may, with the city manager and/or his/her designee’s approval, take the day off using vacation, floating holiday, or leave without pay.

**Section 2. Severability.** Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this Ordinance be pre-empted by state or federal law or regulation, such decision or pre-emption shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

**Section 3. Effective Date.**  This Ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after the date of publication.

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**APPROVED:**

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**ATTEST:**

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Jayne Westman, City Clerk

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Hillary J. Evans, City Attorney

**DATE OF PUBLICATION:**

**EFFECTIVE DATE:**