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## GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 8, 2017

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 9-112 OF THE  $TERRE\ HAUTE\ CITY\ CODE$ .

WHEREAS, the Common Council wishes to provide citizens of the City of Terre Haute with more lenient options regarding leak adjustment requests as they relate to municipal sewer bills;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Terre Haute, Indiana, that:

SECTION 1. Terre Haute City Code Chapter 9, Article 5, Section 9-112 is hereby amended by addition of underlined text as follows:

## Sec. 9-112 Leak Adjustment.

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7. Only the highest single month of usage charged during the excess water usage shall be considered for adjustment. However, one (1) contiguous month to the highest single month may also be considered for an adjustment of up to fifty percent (50%) of the highest single month adjustment but in no case shall the contiguous month be adjusted lower than the average of the previous six (6) months usage excluding the highest single month originally sought for adjustment.

<u>Section 2</u>. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. If any section, clause, provision, or portion of this ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

This provision shall apply retroactively to any individual or organization that has been credited with a leak adjustment in FY 2017 upon written request from the individual or organization, and said written request for additional adjustment must received by the Terre Haute Sewage Billing Office no later than October 01, 2017.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council of Terre Haute, Indiana and approval of the Mayor and publication as required by law.

Introduced by:  Karrum Nasser, Council President  Passed in open Council this
ATTEST: Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk  Presented by me to the Mayor this
Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk  Approved by me, the Mayor, this
Duke A. Bennett, Mayor  ATTEST:   Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk