ORDINANCE NO. 1596

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AMORY, MISSISSIPPI DESIGNATING McALPINE'S LAKE AS A YOUTH FISHING LAKE AND PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and the Board of Alderman of the City of Amory WHEREAS, § 55-9-1 M.C.A. of 1972, as amended, empowers a municipality to develop, build, equip, and operate lakes, parks, and recreational areas. See also MS A. G. Opinion Hilliard, 96-0441; and

WHEREAS, § 21-19-1 M.C.A. of 1972, as amended, gives a municipality the power to make regulations to secure the general health and welfare of the municipality; and

WHEREAS,§ 21-17-1 M.C.A. of 1972, as amended, provides that a municipality may own real property and make such orders respecting the property as maybe deemed to be conducive to the best interest of the municipality and to exercise jurisdiction over such property; and

WHEREAS, § 21-13-1 M.C.A. of 1972, as amended, authorizes a municipality to pass and enforce an ordinance and to provide for fines and/or imprisonment for the violation of such ordinance; and

WHEREAS, McAlpine's Lake is owned and operated by the City of Amory upon municipal real property; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Amory find that providing a lake for all youth to enjoy the benefits of fishing is a good and proper use of municipal property and will provide an enjoyable and productive activity for all youth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the

City of Amory, Mississippi:

SECTION ONE: D

DESIGNATION:

McAlpine's Lake is hereby designated a youth fishing lake.

SECTION TWO: <u>FISHING REGULATIONS</u>:

- Fishing is only allowed on Saturday, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday during daylight hours.
- Fishing is limited to youth which for purposes of this ordinance shall be defined as a person fifteen years of age or younger.
- Only one pole per youth is allowed.

SECTION THREE: FISHING LIMITS:

The following size and catch limits shall apply:

- Bluegill and redear (bream) of any size may be kept.
- The limit on bream is ten (10) per person per day.
- Catfish of any size may be kept; the limit on catfish is two (2) per person per day.
- Largemouth bass of any size may be kept; the limit on largemouth bass is one (1) per person per day.

SECTION FOUR: <u>ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS:</u>

- No swimming shall be allowed at any time.
- No cleaning fish in or around the lake is allowed.
- Only fish that are needed are to be taken and unwanted fish are to be released immediately.
- Littering is not allowed.

SECTION FIVE: PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS:

Any person, firm, or corporation who shall violate the terms of this ordinance shall be

subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00 or imprisonment not exceeding ninety (90) days or both, for each such violation.

SECTION SIX:

EFFECTIVE DATE:

That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force as provided by law.

The above and foregoing Ordinance being first reduced to writing, was read, considered and adopted, first Section by Section, and then as a whole.

Thereupon, upon motion duly made by Alderman <u>Naw Ragers</u>, Seconded by Alderman <u>Howard J. Boorg</u> to adopt the foregoing Ordinance, and the question being put to a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

Alderman Dan Rogers

voted: Yes

Alderman Howard Boozer

voted: Yes

Alderman John Darden

voted: Yes

Alderman Peggy Wilkerson

voted:

Alderman Curtis French

voted:

Yes

Yes

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Ordinance approved, passed and adopted on this the <u>5</u> day of October, 2004.

THOMAS GRIFFITH, MAYOF

ATTEST:

SUZANNE C. MOBLEY, CITY CLERK