AN ORDINANCE of the City Council of the City of Kent, Washington, amending Section 9.36.020 of the Kent City Code relating to the mandatory penalty for inattentive driving.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT, WASHINGTON DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 9.36.020 of the Kent City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9.36.020. Inattentive driving.

A. It is unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in an inattentive manner over the highways of the city.

B. For the purpose of this section "inattentive" means the operation of a vehicle upon the public highways of the city in a lax or slack manner.

C. The offense of operating a vehicle in an inattentive manner shall be considered to be a lesser offense than, but included in the offense of operating a vehicle in a negligent manner.

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D. Any person violating the provisions of this section is guilty of a traffic infraction and the mandatory penalty will be forty-seven sixty-six dollars ($47.66).

SECTION 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

JIM WHITE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BRENDA JACOBER, CITY CLERK
APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ROGER A. LUBOVICH, CITY ATTORNEY

PASSED __2__ day of __April__, 1996.

APPROVED __3__ day of __April__, 1996.

PUBLISHED __5__ day of __April__, 1996.

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. __3288__, passed by the City Council of the City of Kent, Washington, and approved by the Mayor of the City of Kent as hereon indicated.

BRENDA JACOBER, CITY CLERK

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