ORDINANCE __________

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MOUNTAIN CITY, TENNESSEE ADOPTING BY
REFERENCE STATE TRAFFIC OFFENSES AND RULES OF THE ROAD, AND
REPEALING NON-APPLICABLE SECTIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen desires to adopt by reference state traffic
offenses and rules of the road; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly amended the laws pertaining to adoption of
state laws by municipalities by reference, by changing the statute under which such adoption is made
and by further specifying that only Class C misdemeanors may be adopted by municipalities and
enforced as municipal ordinance violations; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly has removed municipal jurisdiction over cases
related to driving under the influence, reckless driving, escape, impersonation, false alarms,
interference with an officer, disorderly houses, and malicious mischief, and such cases can no longer
be tried in Municipal Court but are now greater than a class C misdemeanor and therefore violations
of State statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Mountain City desires to remove non-applicable sections from the
Municipal Code;

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

Section 1. The following new section is added to the Mountain City Municipal Code:

15-101. Adoption of state traffic statutes. By the authority granted under Tennessee Code
Annotated § 16-18-302, the Town of Mountain City adopts by reference as if fully set forth in this
section, the “Rules of the Road,” as codified in Tennessee Code Annotated §§55-8-101 through 55-
8-131, and §§55-8-133 through 55-8-180. Additionally, the Town of Mountain City adopts
Tennessee Code Annotated §§55-8-181 through 55-8-193, §§55-9-601 through 55-9-606, and §55-
12-139 by reference as if fully set forth in this section.

Section 2. Sections 15-103 and 15-104 (Reckless driving and Driving under the influence),
Sections 11-201 through 11-204 (Escape, Impersonating an officer, False alarms, Resisting an
officer), 11-403 (Disorderly houses), and 11-302 (Malicious mischief) of the Municipal Code of the
Town of Mountain City are deleted in their entirety, as they are no longer applicable and have been
designated as violations of State statutes.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon its final reading, the public welfare requiring
it.

FIRST READING: _______________________________
SECOND READING: _______________________________

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Mayor City Recorder