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**ORDINANCE NO. 2070**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF GAMBLING ACTIVITIES AND THE IMPOSITION OF GAMBLING TAXES, REDUCING THE TAX RATE FOR BINGO AND RAFFLE ACTIVITIES TO CONFORM WITH 1999 REVISIONS TO RCW 9.46.110, AMENDING SECTION 9.30.060 OF THE REDMOND MUNICIPAL CODE, AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE.

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WHEREAS, RCW 9.46.110 authorizes cities to impose gambling taxes upon gambling activities conducted in accordance with Chapter 9.46 RCW; and

WHEREAS, the City has acted upon this authority by enacting specific regulations, including taxation, applicable to gambling activities conducted within the City as set forth in Chapter 9.30 of the Redmond Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, Substitute Senate Bill 5745 reduced the maximum permitted tax rate for bingo and raffle activities from 10% to 5% effective January 1, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the City's gambling tax rates for bingo and raffles should be reduced from 10% to 5% to conform with the revised statute; NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1 As of January 1, 2000, Subsection 9.30.060(A) of Section 9.30.060 of the Redmond Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**9.30.060 Tax levied upon gambling activities - Exemptions - Use**

**of revenues.** A. A tax at the rates specified in this section is levied on all persons, associations and organizations who engage in the following activities:

	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Tax Rate</b>
1.	Conduct of any bingo game or raffle	Five percent of the gross revenue received after the amount paid for prizes or as prizes are deducted
2.	Conduct or operation of any amusement game	Two percent of the gross revenue received after the amount paid as prizes are deducted
3.	Operation of pull tabs as a commercial stimulant	Five percent of the gross revenue received
4.	Operation of pull tabs by bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization	Ten percent of the gross revenue received after the amount paid for prizes or as prizes are deducted
5.	Operation of a cardroom for social card games as a commercial stimulant upon any premises	Twelve percent of the gross revenue received from such card games per year
6.	Operation of social card games on premises or facilities used or owned by a bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization	One dollar per year for each member in the bona fide charitable or non-profit organization to a maximum of one hundred dollars for each such premises or facility

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, being an exercise of a power specifically delegated to the City legislative body, is not subject to referendum, and shall take effect five (5) days after passage and publication of an approved summary thereof consisting of the title.

CITY OF REDMOND  
/S/ MAYOR ROSEMARIE IVES

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:  
/S/ CITY CLERK, BONNIE MATTSON

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:  
/S/ CITY ATTORNEY, JAMES E. HANEY

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK:	March 16, 2000
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SIGNED BY THE MAYOR:	March 21, 2000
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