

## CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-One

## AN ORDINANCE

*	Amending Chapter 12, Health and Sanitation
31- 509	***************************************

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of New Bedford as follows:-

Chapter 12, Health and Sanitation, Article II, Littering Generally, is hereby amended by adding Section 12-41.1, Duty of Property Owners to Maintain Yard and Adjacent Areas:

## Sec. 12-41.1- Duty of Property Owners to Maintain Yard and Adjacent Areas

- (a) The owner of any private property shall not allow grass or vegetation to reach a height of more than 8 inches on the property or on any adjacent sidewalk grass ribbons. "Vegetation" shall mean grass, weeds and other ground cover.
- (b) Any owner who violates, disobeys, neglects or refuses to comply with the terms of this section shall be guilty of a violation and be subjected to a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00) per offense. In addition to criminal and civil court actions, this section may be enforced through non-criminal dispositions as provided in M.G.L.A. c. 40 § 21D & M.G.L.A. c. 40U. Each day a violation continues shall be deemed a sperate offense.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 43 of the General Laws.

IN CITY COUNCIL, April 08, 2021
Referred to the Committee on Ordinances – Yeas 10, Nays 0. Dennis W. Farias, City Clerk

a true copy, attest:

City Clerk