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Title:	Amendment of Municipal Code Section 10-8-010 by establishing and regulating quiet zones in streets and areas
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June 12, 2019

WHEREAS, Chicago is home to some of the best hospitals in the United States, and patient care and successful health outcomes rely on a peaceful place to rest and rehabilitate; and

WHEREAS, Excessive, constant, external noise puts patients and health administrators alike at risk of unsuccessful health outcomes; and

WHEREAS, Section 8-32-060 of the Municipal Code of Chicago designates authority to the superintendent of police to recommend areas within the City of Chicago as “noise sensitive zones” that can be authorized as such by the Chicago City Council; and

WHEREAS, Section 8-32-060 of the Municipal Code of Chicago further establishes that such noise sensitive areas to protect places that are considered to be noise sensitive in their operations, of which hospitals are included; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-8-010 of the Municipal Code of Chicago establish[es] a zone of quiet in all territory embraced within the block upon which abuts the premises of any hospital owned, controlled or operated by the federal, state, county or city governments or any licensed hospital or home; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. The foregone recitals, are hereby incorporated as the findings of the Chicago City Council.

SECTION 2. Section 10-8-010 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck-through and inserting the language underscored, as follows:

10-8-010 Establishment

There is hereby created and established a zone of quiet in all territory embraced within the block upon which abuts the premises of any hospital owned, controlled or operated by the federal, state, county or city governments or any licensed hospital or home. Areas within a zone of quiet shall be subject to an expectation of peace and quiet from sound produced by activities including, but not limited to, any unnecessary noise emitted from or occurring on the public way.

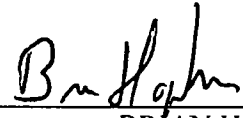
SECTION 3. Pursuant to 8-32-060 and 10-8-010 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, the following street(s) shall be designated as Zone of Quiet streets:

On East Chicago Avenue between North Michigan Avenue and North Lake Shore Drive;
On East Superior Street between North Michigan Avenue and North Lake Shore Drive;
On North Fairbanks between East Chicago Avenue and East Superior Street;

SECTION 4. The commissioner of transportation is hereby ordered to post Zone of Quiet signage on the public way along the streets outlined in Section 2.

SECTION 5. The superintendent of police is hereby ordered to enforce nuisance noise violations pursuant to 8-32-050, and 10-8-010, and any other applicable nuisance noise subsections contained within the Municipal Code of Chicago.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall be effective upon passage and publication.



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