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Section 1. Authority

This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to the Home Rule powers as provided in Article VIII, Part Second, Section 1 of the Maine Constitution, 30-A M.R.S. § 3001, 17 M.R.S § 2271, and all other applicable authority.

This Ordinance shall be known as the "Anti-Litter Ordinance" of the Town of Bridgton, adopted and effective by vote of the Town Meeting.

Section 2. Administration and Enforcement

This Ordinance shall be administered by the municipal officers of the Town of Bridgton and enforced by the Bridgton Police Department.

Section 3. Purpose

The purpose of this Ordinance is to preserve and maintain the attractiveness, natural beauty, and character of the Town of Bridgton and protect the public health, safety, and welfare.

Section 4. Regulations

a. No person shall throw, drop, deposit, discard, dump, or otherwise dispose of litter in or upon the streets, roads, highways, rights-of-way, sidewalks, footpaths, or other public lands within the Town of Bridgton, except in such container or receptacle on property designated for disposal of garbage and refuse by the State or its agencies or by the Town of Bridgton.

b. No vehicle shall be driven or moved on any street, road, or highway, nor shall any owner of any vehicle knowingly permit such vehicle to be driven or moved on any street, road, or highway, within the Town of Bridgton unless such vehicle is so constructed or so loaded as to prevent its contents from spilling, dropping, sifting, leaking, or otherwise escaping therefrom, or which may be thrown about by the wind. Any load on a commercial vehicle hauling litter, included but not limited to building debris, must be covered. Any commercial vehicle not covered will not be allowed entrance to the Town of Bridgton Transfer Station.

c. For purposes of this ordinance, "litter" means all waste materials including, but not limited to, bottles, glass, crockery, cans, scrap metal, junk, paper, garbage, rubbish, offal (except waste parts or remains resulting from the normal field dressing of lawfully harvested wild game or the lawful use of waste parts or remains of wild game as bait), feathers

(except feathers from live birds while being transported), abandoned ice-fishing shacks, old automobiles or parts of automobiles, or similar refuse, but not including the wastes of the primary processes of mining, logging, sawmilling, farming, or manufacturing.

Section 5. Penalties

Any violation of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined pursuant to 17 M.R.S. §§ 2264-A and 2264-B, as amended, or its successor provisions, with all penalties to accrue to the benefit of the Town of Bridgton.

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