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"AN ACT REQUIRING THE OBTAINING OF PERMITS FOR PUBLIC MARCHES AND DEMONSTRATIONS

WHEREAS, in addition to problems relating to the health, welfare, and education of the people, the control of crime and over-crowdedness, the maintenance of order and the enforcement of discipline seem to require immediate attention; and

WHEREAS, it has been observed that cities, particularly Monrovia, are becoming relatively overcrowded and there is a need to control marches and demonstrations in public to prevent traffic congestion, avoid obstruction and facilitate safe and free movement of people;

NOW, WHEREFORE,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representative of the Republic of Liberia, in Legislature assembled:

Section 1. The Minister of Justice is hereby empowered to issue permits for all marches and demonstrations within the Republic.

Section 2. Any group of persons desiring to stage a march or demonstration within the Republic shall first obtain from the Minister of Justice of the Republic a permit to do so.

Section 3. Any group of persons who shall stage a march or demonstration in violation of the provisions of this Act shall be punishable by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars nor more than five thousand dollars or by both fine and imprisonment.

Section 4. This Act shall take effect immediately upon publication in hand bills.

Any law to the contrary notwithstanding
Approved: February 10, 1975."