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IDAHO FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ENFORCE OBSTRUCTION OF CITY SIDEWALK ORDINANCE

IDAHO FALLS – With the approach of spring, many people rely on clear sidewalks to safely get around in Idaho Falls – especially children, seniors and those using wheelchairs. Impassable sidewalks dangerously force pedestrians onto busy streets. The Idaho Falls Police Department wants to use this opportunity to remind all citizens, businesses, and homeowners, that **City of Idaho Falls Ordinance 8-8-2** states *“That it shall be unlawful for any person to obstruct any street, alley, or public sidewalk within the City.”*

The ordinance carries a \$10.00 fine. Idaho Falls Police Captain Darren Cook says “The emphasis is unobstructed access for pedestrians and the disabled. Roads are for cars—and sidewalks are for people.” Cook goes on to add “We are also concerned about the safety of children, as they start playing outside with warmer temperatures and longer daylight. The Idaho Falls Police Department will therefore strictly enforce this Ordinance in the coming weeks.”

For additional information, contact the Idaho Falls Police Department at (208) 612-8620.

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