

**IN THE RED LODGE CITY COURT OF RECORD OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CARBON
BEFORE RAPHAEL J. HE DOES IT, JUDGE
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IN THE MATTER OF WEAPONS IN THE
RED LODGE CITY COURTROOM AND
OFFICES

STANDING ORDER

WHEREAS, House Bill 102 of the 67th Montana Legislature was duly passed by the Legislature and approved (signed into law) by the Governor on February 18, 2021. As it applies to relevant sections of HB 102, the bill has an immediate effective date “upon passage and approval”;

WHEREAS, Section 4 of HB 102 provides as follows:

A person with a current and valid permit issued pursuant to 45-8-321 or recognized pursuant to 45-8-329 may not be prohibited or restricted from exercising that permit anywhere in the state, except:

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(7) within a courtroom or an area of a courthouse in use by court personnel pursuant to an order of a justice of the peace or judge;

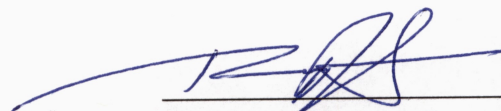
WHEREAS, Red Lodge City Court is configured in such a manner that judicial officers are required to walk from secured chambers to courtroom through open and unsecured areas of the Red Lodge City Hall, or are required to walk from secured chambers to clerk offices through open and unsecured areas of the Red Lodge City Hall;

WHEREAS, judicial officers routinely handle domestic and criminal matters that involve high levels of emotion and angst, which may subject the judicial officers to reprisal or attack while walking through open and unsecured areas of the Red Lodge City Hall;

WHEREAS, the Red Lodge City Clerks, who serve the court personnel, may also be subject to reprisal or attack while walking through open and unsecured areas of the Red Lodge City Hall.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that all persons are prohibited from possessing or carrying firearms or other weapons in the Red Lodge City Court and Courtroom and adjacent areas, including the public entrance, restrooms, City Clerk Office, except law enforcement, judicial or city personnel with a current and valid permit. This prohibition specifically extends to persons with a valid permit issued pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 45-8-321 or recognized pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 45-8-329.

DATED this 17th day of March 2021



Raphael J. He Does It
City Judge