PROVINCE DE QUEBEC

VILLE DE HAMPSTEAD

BY-LAW NO. 621 -

BY-LAW PROHIBITING THE CARRYING AND THE USE OF CUTTING AND THRUSTING WEAPONS IN PUBLIC PLACES.

WHEREAS Council has the power to adopt by-laws to ensure peace, good order, safe administration and welfare of its population;

WHEREAS it is expedient to ensure protection of citizens against possible assaults;

WHEREAS it is expedient to control the carrying of cutting and thrusting weapons, which are frequently used as means of assault, as attested by the report prepared by the Director of the Montreal Urban Community Police Department and addressed to the Preséident of the Montreal Urban Community on March 10th 1989;

THEREFORE,

IT IS PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1.- In the present By-Law, "public place" means any place where public is explicitly or implicitly invited.

ARTICLE 2.- It is forbiden to any person to be in a public place, street, park, by foot or in a public transportation vehicle and carrying or having a knife, a sword, a machete or any similar weapon, without valid reason.

For the purpose of the present article, self-defence cannot be considered as valid reason.

ARTICLE 3.- In accordance with Article 369 of the Cities and Town Act, any person violating a provision of the present By-Law, shall be liable; for each offence, of a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars ($300.00) with or without costs, or in default of payment of the said fine or the said fine and costs, to an imprisonment not exceeding sixty (60) days. The amount of the fine and costs and the term of imprisonment shall be set by the Court of competent jurisdiction. However, the imprisonment will cease upon payment of the fine, or the fine and costs, as the case may be. If the infraction continues, such continuation constitutes a separate offence, day by day.

ARTICLE 4.- The present By-Law shall come into force according to Law.

Signed (I.L. Adessky, Q.C. Mayor.

Signed (M. Guay, Town Clerk.