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City Clerk

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MESSAGE FROM MAYOR

VETOING ORDINANCE REGULATING

THE WEARING OF BATHING SUITS

AT LA JOLLA.

*Veto sustained by
Council 6/20/17*

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF SAN DIEGO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
LOUIS J. WILDE, MAYOR

June 12th, 1917.

Gentlemen of The Council
of The City of San Diego, Calif.

Honored Sirs:-

With reference to Ordinance which I have this day
vetoed and am returning herewith, entitled,

"AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE WEARING OF BATHING
SUITS UPON THE PUBLIC STREETS AT LA JOLLA."

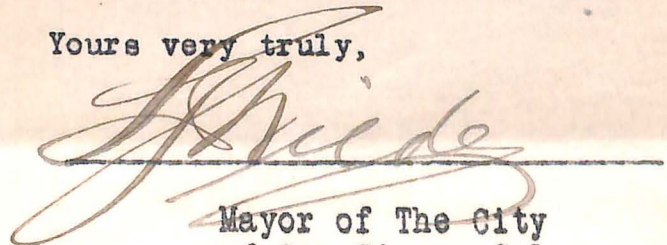
The object of the ordinance is good, but it covers
too much territory and not enough "form".

The influence of bathers on the streets near girls'
school and in stores shopping in too abbreviated bathing
suits is bad; the costumes are immodest and have a bad effect
on children and young people. On the other hand, one proper-
ly clothed in a proper bathing suit, going from his or her
home to the beach or along the beach, should not be humiliated
by some officer who might exceed his authority in making an
arrest.

La Jolla, being a beach resort, should recommend to
the Common Council the proper and modest bathing suit, and
also recommend that bathers not loiter on the streets or go
out shopping in such an outfit. The regulation should not
apply to children under ten years of age.

For the above reasons I have vetoed the ordinance.

Yours very truly,



Mayor of The City
of San Diego, Cal.