(II) WOULD CAUSE A REASONABLE PERSON TO FEAR FOR THE PERSON'S OWN SAFETY OR THE SAFETY OF A FAMILY MEMBER; AND

## (HI) SERVES NO LEGITIMATE PURPOSE.

- (B) (1) A PERSON MAY NOT HARASS ANOTHER PERSON WITH THE INTENT TO CAUSE THAT PERSON TO FEAR FOR THE PERSON'S OWN SAFETY OR THE SAFETY OF A FAMILY MEMBER.
- (2) EXCEPT—AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (C) AND (D) OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON WHO VIOLATES PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 1 YEAR OR BOTH.
- (C) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON WHO IN THE COURSE OF VIOLATING SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION MAKES A CREDIBLE THREAT AGAINST THE PERSON WHO IS BEING HARASSED OR AGAINST A MEMBER OF THE PERSON'S FAMILY IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$2,000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 2 YEARS OR BOTH.
- (D) (1) A-PERSON WHO IS CONVICTED OF A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE UNDER THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A-FELONY AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 3 YEARS OR BOTH.
  - (2) FOR THE PURPOSES OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION; A CONVICTION FOR A SIMILAR OFFENSE UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES, ANOTHER STATE, OR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SHALL CONSTITUTE A PRIOR CONVICTION UNDER THIS SECTION.

## Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

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- (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (2) "COURSE OF CONDUCT" MEANS A PATTERN OF CONDUCT COMPOSED OF TWO OR MORE ACTS OVER A PERIOD OF TIME, HOWEVER SHORT.
- (3) "HARASS" MEANS A COURSE OF CONDUCT DIRECTED AT A SPECIFIC PERSON WHICH WOULD CAUSE A REASONABLE PERSON TO FEAR BODILY INJURY OR DEATH, INCLUDING ORAL THREATS, WRITTEN THREATS, VANDALISM, OR NONCONSENSUAL PHYSICAL CONTACT.
- (4) "FOLLOW" MEANS TO MAINTAIN A VISUAL OR PHYSICAL PROXIMITY OVER A PERIOD OF TIME TO A SPECIFIC PERSON IN SUCH A MANNER AS WOULD CAUSE A REASONABLE PERSON TO FEAR BODILY INJURY OR DEATH.
  - (5) "REPEATEDLY" MEANS ON TWO OR MORE SEPARATE OCCASIONS.