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### **Section 3.00 – Department Authority and Jurisdiction**

Authority and jurisdiction of the Raymore Police Department are defined by city ordinance, federal and state laws, and local mutual aid agreements.

### **Section 3.01 – Establishment of the Police Department**

The Raymore Police Department is established by the following sections of the Raymore City Code:

200.020. Chief of Police, Authority.

The Chief of Police is the Director of the Police Department. He/she shall have immediate and direct control of the Department, subject to the supervision of the City Manager, and subject to such other rules, regulations and orders as the Mayor may prescribe. He/she shall promulgate and enforce orders, rules and regulations (consistent with City Code and with the rules, regulations and orders of the City Manager) for the efficient operation of the Police Department.

*(CC 1976 §71.020; Ord. No. 28119, § 1, 12-8-08)*

### **Section 3.02 – Limits of Police Authority**

Chapter 556.061 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri defines "law enforcement officer" as any public servant having both the power and duty to make arrests for violations of the laws of this state, and federal law enforcement officers authorized to carry firearms and to make arrests for violations of the laws of the United States;

Chapter 544.216 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri provides for the general powers of police officers in this state and authorizes officers to arrest on view, and without a warrant, any person who has committed, or who the officer has reasonable grounds to believe has committed, any violation of state law, including misdemeanors and city ordinances, within the officer's jurisdiction

### **Section 3.03 – Police Powers Outside City Limits**

State law authorizes police powers outside of the officer's jurisdiction in the following instances:

- A. Section 544.216, RSMo, grants powers of arrest to officers on lands owned or leased by their respective municipality, that are located in unincorporated areas.
- B. Section 544.147, RSMo, authorizes police powers to officers involved in the fresh pursuit of violators outside of their jurisdictional boundaries. This section is discussed further in **CHAPTER 15 - PURSUIT POLICY**.

C. Section 70.820, RSMo, allows officers to respond outside of their jurisdictional boundaries in emergency situations for the purposes of mutual aid.

D. Section 70.835, RSMo, provides for officer jurisdiction as a member of a major case squad.

### **Section 3.04 – Police Powers Outside the State**

Police officers may exercise police powers outside the state of Missouri in the following instances:

A. Police officers in fresh pursuit of any person who has committed, or who the officer has reasonable grounds to believe has committed a felony, may pursue the violator into neighboring states. This is discussed further in **CHAPTER 15 - PURSUIT POLICY**.

B. Section 70.837, RSMo, allows officers to respond to bordering states to assist in times of significant emergencies, such as fire, earthquake, flood, tornado, haz-mat incident, or other such disaster. Officers responding to such requests for aid shall be subject to all provisions of law as if they were providing service within their own jurisdiction.