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**Referred to the
Committee on Rules**

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," by increasing the permissible height for fences located on the front lot line of certain properties in residential districts; by prohibiting the use of barbed/razor/concertina wire or any similar type of wire on residentially-zoned property; and by permitting certain architectural embellishments on fences; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code is amended to read as follows:

TITLE 14. THE PHILADELPHIA ZONING CODE.

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CHAPTER 14-200. RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS.

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§14-231. Residential Districts Rules and Exceptions.

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(4) Fences. Fences shall be permitted in residential districts to the extent herein provided:

(a) Intermediate Lots.

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(.1) Front. Any fence located nearer to the lot line than the required building set-back or actual distance of the building from the lot line (whichever is greater), shall be no more than [three and one-half] *four (4)* feet in height;

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(d) *Architectural Features.*

(.1) The use of barbed/razor/concertina wire, or any similar type wire, shall not be permitted for any residential property.

(.2) Fence posts, gate posts, and trellises that are included as architectural embellishments are permitted up to 8 feet in height.

Explanation:

Italics indicate new matter added.