

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN
Charter Amendment Resolution No. 13-CR-02

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| Introduced By: | Mayor Michael E. Bennett |
| Date Introduced: | August 26, 2013 |
| Date Adopted: | August 26, 2013 |
| Date Effective: | October 15, 2013 |

1 **A CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION** concerning

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3 **Aberdeen Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.**
4 **Bona Fide Members and Bona Fide Life Members Surviving Spouses**
5 **Real Property Tax Exemption**
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7 **FOR** the purpose of providing that, effective October 15, 2013, the surviving spouses of bona
8 fide life members of the Aberdeen Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. shall be exempt
9 from real property tax exemption for City purposes to the extent of \$45,000 assessed
10 value in the City of Aberdeen.

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12 **BY** addition to
13 § VIII.11
14 Charter of the City of Aberdeen
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16 **SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF**
17 **ABERDEEN** that new §VIII.11 is amended and to read as follows:
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19 **§ VIII. Finance and Taxation.**
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21 11. Real property that is the primary residence of each bona fide member of the Aberdeen
22 Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., including bona fide life members, AND THE
23 SURVIVING SPOUSES OF BONA FIDE LIFE MEMBERS, shall be exempt from
24 taxation for City purposed to the extent of \$45,000 assessed value.

25 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE**
26 **CITY OF ABERDEEN** that the date of adoption of this Resolution is August 26, 2013 and the
27 amendment of the Charter of the City of Aberdeen hereby enacted shall become effective on
28 October 15, 2013 unless a proper petition for referendum hereon shall be filed as permitted by
29 law, provided a complete and exact copy of this Resolution shall be continuously posted on the
30 bulletin board in Aberdeen City Hall until October 5, 2013 and provided further that a copy of
31 the title of this Resolution shall be published in The Record, a newspaper of general circulation

1 in the City of Aberdeen, or in any other newspaper of such general circulation, once in each of
2 the weeks beginning August 30, September 6, September 13, and September 20, 2013.
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4 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE**
5 **CITY OF ABERDEEN** that the City Clerk is hereby specifically commanded to carry out the
6 provisions of Section 2, hereof, and, as evidence of such compliance, the City Clerk shall cause
7 to be maintained appropriate certificates of publication of the newspaper or newspapers in which
8 the title of the Resolution shall have been published. If a favorable referendum is held on the
9 Charter change, the Mayor shall proclaim the Charter change hereby enacted to have been
10 approved by the voters and the charter amendment shall become effective on the date provided
11 by law.
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13 **SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE**
14 **CITY OF ABERDEEN** that as soon as the Charter Amendment hereby enacted shall become
15 effective, either as provided herein or following a referendum, the City Clerk shall send by mail
16 to the Department of Legislative Services of Maryland, a clear certified copy of this Resolution
17 showing the number of Councilpersons voting for and against it and a report on the votes cast for
18 or against the amendment hereby enacted at any referendum thereon and the date of such
19 referendum.
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21 The above Charter Amendment was enacted by the foregoing Resolution which was
22 passed at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Aberdeen on August 26, 2013, three (3)
23 members of the Council voting in the affirmative, zero (0) members of the Council voting in the
24 negative, two (2) members of the Council abstaining, and zero (0) members of the Council
25 absent, and the said Resolution becomes effective accordance with the law on the 15th day of
26 October, 2013.

EXPLANATION:


CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW
((Double Parenthesis)) indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

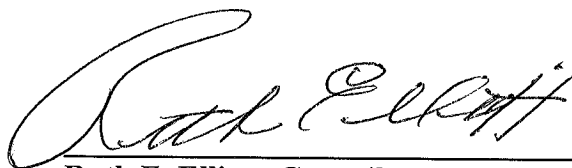
~~Strike-Out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill by amendment or deleted
from the law by amendment.

* * * indicates existing unmodified text omitted from Ordinance

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Michael E. Bennett, Mayor



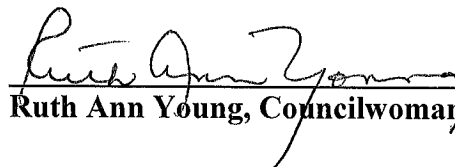
Ruth E. Elliott, Councilwoman



Bruce E. Garner, Councilman



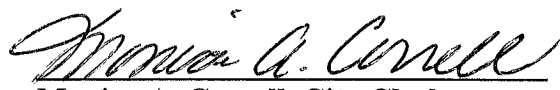
Sandra J. Landbeck, Councilwoman



Ruth Ann Young, Councilwoman

ATTEST:

SEAL:



Monica A. Correll, City Clerk

Date August 26, 2013