ORDINANCE NO. 692

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 419, BEING THE PLUMBING CODE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE BY ADDING TO SECTION 14A - 145, PARAGRAPH "B" OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES; TO WIT: CONDENSATE DRAINS FROM AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEMS OF THREE TONS OR LESS INSTALLED IN HOMES CONSTRUCTED PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1967, MAY DISCHARGE TO FRENCH DRAINS (SEEPAGE PITS). THE PIT SHALL BE AN 18" CONCRETE PIPE 36" IN LENGTH INSTALLED VERTICALLY AND FILLED WITH PEA GRAVEL. LOCATION OF SUCH PIT SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR, BY REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, BY RETAINING ALL PROVISIONS OF EXISTING ORDINANCES NOT IN CONFLICT HEREWITH, BY PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, BY PROVIDING A PENALTY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That Paragraph "B" of Section 14A - 145 of the Code of the City of Mesquite be, and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto the following sentences:

"Condensate drains from air conditioning systems of three tons or less installed in homes constructed prior to January 1, 1967, may discharge to French Drains (seepage pits). The pit shall be an 18" concrete pipe 36" in length installed vertically and filled with pea gravel, location of such pit shall be approved by the Plumbing Inspector."

- SECTION 2. That all existing ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.
- SECTION 3. That all existing ordinances not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are retained in full force and effect.
- SECTION 4. That it is the intent of the City Council that each section, phrase, and sentence of this ordinance be considered severable, and that in the event any such section, phrase, or sentence hereof should be declared void or unconstitutional such declaration shall not be construed to affect those sections, phrases, or sentences left standing.

SECTION 5. That any person, firm, or corporation by violating any of the terms or provisions of this ordinance, or who may aid or assist in such violation shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction in Corporation Court shall be fined in any sum not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), and each and every day of continuance of such violation shall constitute a distinct and separate offense.

SECTION 6. That the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite are not adequate to regulate the situation herein contemplated creates an urgency and emergency in the interest of the public welfare, and, therefore, this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its date of passage.

APPROVED:

Burge Bayes

ATTEST:

CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTORNEY Jun of act