## ORDINANCE NO. 1044

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 7, OF THE CITY CODE BY REPEALING SECTION 1, THEREOF, AND ADDING A NEW SECTION IN LIEU THEREOF, BY ADOPTING THE 1971 EDITION OF THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES TO THE EXTENT OF SUCH CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter Seven of the Code of the City of Mesquite, Texas, is hereby amended as follows, in all other respects to remain in full force and effect:

Section One of said Chapter Seven is repealed.

A new section, to be known as Section One of said Chapter Seven is hereby adopted:

"All installations of electrical equipment shall be reasonably safe to persons and property in conformity with the 1971 Edition of the National Electrical Code, the National Electrical Safety Code or the electrical provisions of other safety codes approved by the American Standards Association.

"The National Electrical Code, National Fire Protective Association, Number 70-1971, is hereby adopted as a part of this Ordinance the same as if copied in full herein.

"Provided, however, that all wiring for electic light and power hereafter installed within the fire limits of the city and all wiring for electric light and power in service stations, churches, schools, theaters, hospitals, clinics, convalescent and nursing homes, places used for public gatherings and the unfurnished basements in all buildings other than dwellings designed for the occupancy of not more than two families shall be installed in suitable, approved metallic conduits."

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SECTION 2. Should any word, phrase, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance, or of the National Electrical Code, as adopted herein, shall be held to be void or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions of this ordinance and of the Electrical Code shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. Any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance or the National Electrical Code shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction in the Corporation Court shall be subject to a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for each offense. and each and every day such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 4. The fact that the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite are not adequate to protect the safety and welfare of the inhabitants thereof creates an urgency and an emergency for the preservation of the public safety and welfare and requires that this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and the publication of the caption of said ordinance, as the law in such cases provides.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the A.D., 1972. June

> \_/Smith Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Norma G.

City Secretary

Elland Archer

City Attorney