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ORDINANCE NO. 1178

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 17, SECTION 13 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, SO AS TO CHANGE CERTAIN RATES TO BE CHARGED BY TAXICABS WITHIN THE CITY; 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. That Chapter 17, Section 13, of the Code of the City of Mesquite, be, and the same is, hereby amended so as to hereafter read as follows, to wit:

"RATES -

The rates charged by taxicabs operating within the City shall not exceed the rates set out in the following schedule:

<u>Number of Passengers</u>	<u>Rate for First One-Sixth Mile</u>	<u>Rate for Each Add. One-Third Mile</u>	<u>Waiting Time Chg.</u>
1-4, both	\$ .65	\$ .20	\$6.00 per hour

Such rates shall be determined by an accurate meter; such meter to be tested by the Police Department of the City of Mesquite, quarterly."

SECTION 2. That any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a Class C Misdemeanor and upon conviction in Corporation Court shall be subject to a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for each offense.

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SECTION 3. The fact that the present regulations of the City of Mesquite do not adequately regulate taxicab rates creates an urgency and an emergency and in the preservation of the public interest, comfort and general welfare and requires that this ordinance shall become effective immediately from and after its passage and the publication of the caption, as the law and Charter in such cases provides.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on this the 4th day of March ,A.D.,1974.



Bob Beard  
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Sue Frost  
Acting City Secretary

Elland Archer  
City Attorney