ORDINANCE NO. 1928

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 17, SECTION 22 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE BY ESTABLISHING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A TAXICAB CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE; BY PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; BY 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 22 of the Code of the City of Mesquite is hereby amended as follows, in all other respects to remain in full force and effect:

The last word in Section 17-22 (desire) is hereby deleted and the words "determine necessary to carry out the requirements of this section" are inserted in lieu thereof and there is further added the following language:

"and said applicant shall not be licensed if he has been convicted of a felony or crime involving moral turpitude within the five years next preceding the application or if said applicant is not of good character".

SECTION 2. Should any word, phrase, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance be held to be invalid or unconstitutional the remaining provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. Any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed to be guilty of a Class C misdemeanor and upon conviction in the Municipal Court shall be subject to a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for each offense.

SECTION 4. The fact that the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite are inadequate to protect the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants thereof creates an urgency and emergency and requires that this ordinance shall take effect immediately from its passage and publication as the law in such cases provides.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 12th day of September, A.D., 1983.

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

drma'G. McGaug City Secretary

Elland Archer City Attorney