ORDINANCE NO. 2866

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE I OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, BY AMENDING THE UNIFORM HOUSING CODE, 1991 EDITION, BY ADDING SECTION 3, AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING A SEVERABI-LITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

<u>SECTION 1.</u> That Chapter 7, Article I of the Code of the City of Mesquite is hereby amended by adding Section 3, Amendments, effective April 5, 1993, to read as follows in all other respects said code and chapter to remain in full force and effect.

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

Sec. 7-3. Amendments - Uniform Housing Code.

Sec. 1305 (i) Once the decision of the Board becomes final under this section, the person effected by an order may appeal the decision to the State District Court. Appeal to the District Court must be filed within 20 days from the date of receipt of notice of a final Board order. Appeal in the District Court shall be limited to a hearing under the substantial evidence rule.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. That should any paragraph, sentence, subdivision clause, phrase, section or provision of this ordinance be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any part or provision hereof other than the part or provision so decided to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid and shall not affect the validity of the remainder of Chapter 7 or any other provision of the Code of the City of Mesquite.

<u>SECTION 3</u>. That any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions or terms of this ordinance shall be deemed to be guilty of a Class C Misdemeanor and upon conviction in the Municipal Court shall be punished by a fine not to exceed Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars for each offense.

SECTION 4. The fact that the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite are inadequate to protect the health and welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Mesquite, creates an urgency and an emergency and necessitates that this ordinance become effective immediately from and after its date of passage and the publication of its caption as the law in such cases provides.

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Texas, on the 5th day of April, 1993. Cathye Ra Mayor APPROVED: ATTEST: В. City Attorney

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Lynn Prugel City Secretary

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