ORDINANCE NO. 3592

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, INCREASING THE NUMBER OF POSITIONS IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE CLASSIFICATION OF POLICE OFFICER FROM 165 TO 166; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Mesquite has been notified by the United States Department of Justice of the approval of a grant application submitted under the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Universal Hiring Program; and

WHEREAS, the grant would provide partial funding over a three-year period for the appointment of one additional police officer; and

WHEREAS, with the passage of this ordinance the number of positions in the Police Department in the classification of Police Officer will increase from 165 to 166.

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

<u>SECTION 1</u>. That the number of officers in the classification of Police Officer in the Police Department shall be increased from 165 to 166.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. That all ordinances or portions thereof in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, to the extent of such conflict, are hereby repealed. To the extent that such ordinances or portions thereof are not in conflict herewith, the same shall remain in full force and effect.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> That should any word, sentence, clause, paragraph or provision of this ordinance be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

<u>SECTION 5.</u> That the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite are inadequate to provide for the appropriate number of officers in the Police Officer classification creates an urgency and an emergency for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare, and requires that this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on this the 21st day of July, 2003.

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Mayor

APPROVED:

City Attorney

ATTEST:

Judy Womack City Secretary