

ORDINANCE NO. 1715

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 22-15 of Article I, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, which Chapter 22 relates to MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, which Article I relates to IN GENERAL, which Section 22-15' formerly related to TRUCK ROUTES and which now relates to TRUCK ROUTES; THROUGH TRUCK ROUTES; RESTRICTION.

WHEREAS, engineers have found that the Monroe Avenue Bridge on U. S. Route numbered 1 in the city has developed serious deficiencies; and

WHEREAS, engineers believe it unsafe to allow motor trucks weighing in excess of 15 tons to cross said bridge until it has been repaired or replaced; and

WHEREAS, City Council wishes to prohibit such motor trucks from crossing said bridge until it has been repaired or replaced; and

WHEREAS, City Council deems it injurious to the welfare of the citizens of Alexandria that motor trucks passing through the city have unrestricted use of the city streets; therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 22-15 of Article I, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 22-15. Truck routes; through truck routes; restriction.

The operator of every motor truck passing through the city shall be restricted to using such vehicles on the streets under the jurisdiction of the city hereinafter designated, and it shall be unlawful for any such operator to use such vehicle on any streets other than those hereinafter designated:

(a) All of U. S. Route numbered 1 in the city, except for the Monroe Avenue Bridge. Use of the Monroe Avenue Bridge shall be restricted to motor trucks that do not exceed fifteen tons gross weight.

(b) U. S. Route numbered 1 from the north city line to Monroe Avenue; Monroe Avenue between U. S. Route numbered 1 and Mount Vernon Avenue; Mount Vernon Avenue between Monroe Avenue and West Glebe Road; and West Glebe Road between U. S. Route numbered 1 and the north city line.

(c) State Route numbered 7 from the west city line to Callahan Drive; Callahan Drive; State Route numbered 236 from the west city line to U. S. Route numbered 1 south; U. S. Route numbered 1 between State Route numbered 236 and the south city line; and State Route numbered 241.

(d) Interstate Routes numbered 95 and 495.

The director of traffic is authorized and directed to erect appropriate official signs on the above designated streets, except for Interstate 95 and 495, and at the city limits on all other streets entering the city. This section shall not be deemed violated if at the time of the alleged violation the sign placed in conformity with this section is missing or is substantially defaced so that an ordinarily observant person under the same circumstances would not be aware of the existence of this section.

For purposes of this section, the term "motor truck" shall mean any motor vehicle which displays "T" license plates, "Y" license plates, "TH" license plates or "YH" license plates issued by the Virginia Division of Motor Vehicles, or any equivalent out-of-state license plates issued by the proper licensing authority.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the city not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The clerk of the council shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective the date of its final passage.

Charles E. Beatley, Jr.
Mayor

FINAL PASSAGE: JUNE 22, 1971