

ORDINANCE NO. 3916

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 12-3-1 of Article A (GENERAL PROVISIONS), Chapter 3, Title 12 (EDUCATION, SOCIAL SERVICES AND WELFARE) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 12-3-1 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 12-3-1 Definitions.

For purposes of this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings provided below:

(1) "Adult" means any natural person of at least 18 years of age.

(2) "Child" means any natural person under 18 years of age.

(3) "Child-care services" means the regular provision, in exchange for compensation, of care, protection and guidance to from one to and including five children, while such children are separated from their parents, guardians or legal custodians, in a dwelling not the residence of one or more of the children, during a part of the day for at least four days of a calendar week; provided, that the provision of such care, protection and guidance by a grandparent solely to his or her grandchildren shall not constitute child-care services for the purposes of this chapter. Providers caring for six or more children shall be licensed by the Virginia Department of Social Services.

(4) "Division of social services" means the component of the City of Alexandria department of human services responsible for administering the provisions of article B of this chapter.

(5) "Day-care home" means any residential building, or portion thereof, which is used to provide child-care services.

(6) "Nursery school" means a child day-care program for children from two to and including five years of age at which children two through four years of age attend no more than four hours per day and children five years of age attend no more than six and one-half hours per day, and which is operated primarily

for the educational development and instruction of two or more children who also are receiving care, protection, and guidance while separated from their parents.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall become effective upon the date and at the time of its final passage.

KERRY J. DONLEY

Mayor

ATTEST:

Beverly I. Jett, CMC, City Clerk

Final Passage: March 15, 1997