

ORDINANCE NO. 4449

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 12-7-12 (COMPOSITION; OFFICERS; APPOINTMENT, TERM AND COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS), of Article B (CONSUMER AFFAIRS COMMISSION), Chapter 7 (CONSUMER AFFAIRS), 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 12-7-12 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Sec. 12-7-12 Composition; officers; appointment, term and compensation of members.

The commission shall consist of 11 members appointed by the city council; two of whom shall be members of the business community, two of whom shall be members of local consumer action organizations and seven of whom shall be citizens at large; provided, however, that one of the positions designated for a member of a local consumer action organization may be filled by a representative of a local non-profit organization which deals with consumer issues, or by an employee of a state or federal agency which deals with consumer issues, and provided, further that the vacancy for the consumer action organization member has been advertised and has remained unfilled for a period of three months or longer. All members shall be residents of the city; except that one member of the business community and one member of a consumer action organization may be a nonresident of the city but a resident of the state. . All members shall be appointed by city council for three year terms. Any vacancy shall be filled by the council for the unexpired portion of a term. The commission shall select a chairperson, vice chairperson and secretary by a majority vote of all members of the commission. The chairperson shall serve a two year term and may not succeed himself. In the event that the chair is vacated for any reason, the vice chairperson shall succeed and serve as chairperson for the remainder of the term. A vice chairperson shall be selected by majority vote of all members of the commission to serve as vice chairperson for the unexpired term. Members

shall serve without compensation but may receive reimbursement for expenses, subject to the availability of funds.

Section 2. That no provision of this ordinance shall be deemed to affect the appointments or terms of the members of the Alexandria Consumer Affairs Committee in office on the effective date hereof.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall become effective upon the date and at the time of its final passage.

WILLIAM D. EUILLE

Mayor

Final Passage: May 20, 2006