

RESOLUTION NO. 62

WHEREAS, approximately 10% of our population consists of senior citizens of 60 years of age and over; and

WHEREAS, Alexandria's senior citizens have previously made significant, lasting contributions to the City; and

WHEREAS, during this period when key issues in our City, which have a direct impact on our senior citizens such as housing, medical care, tax relief, transportation and recreation, are being considered it is felt that senior citizens should have the opportunity to voice their feelings on these issues; and

WHEREAS, there is a real need for an identification of the general requirements and issues pertaining to older citizens for legislative and administrative bodies; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for a group of senior citizens to inform their peers of services available to them;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF

THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA:

1. That a 13 member Senior Citizens' Advisory Board be immediately established and appointed by City Council.

2. That the terms of appointment of this Board be for two years.

3. That the membership of the Senior Citizens' Advisory Board

include:

a. Seven senior citizens (individuals of 60 years of age and over)

b. One representative of the Senior Citizens Employment Service to act as the Board's coordinator/administrator, and

c. Five citizens at large of any age representative of the population at large.

4. That this Senior Citizens' Advisory Board have the mission of:

- a. Identifying the general requirements of, and issues pertaining to senior citizens;
- b. Advising City Council on the needs and issues identified and on ways of coping with them;
- c. Advising the City Manager and appropriate members of his staff on program development for senior citizens;
- d. Acting as a group to improve communications with City officials on key issues impacting on senior citizens; and
- e. Disseminating information to their peers of services available to aging citizens.

5. That the establishment of this Board be publicized and all candidates be asked to submit their applications for consideration by Council to the City Clerk not later than one month from the effective date of this resolution.

6. That the Board hold ten (10) meetings a year and submit a report to City Council quarterly on their activities.

Adopted on September 27, 1971