

Ordinance No. 843

AN ORDINANCE to amend Article III, Chapter 17 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1953, as amended, by adding a new section hereto numbered 17-88.1, which new Section 17-88.1 relates to Renting by Owners of Houses, Apartments or Commercial Establishments, which Article III relates to NONREGULATORY LICENSES and which Chapter 17 relates to LICENSES generally.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS

Section 1. That Article III, Chapter 17 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1953, as amended be, and hereby is amended by adding a new section thereto numbered 17-88.1 to read as follows:

Section 17-88.1 **RENTING BY OWNERS OF HOUSES, APARTMENTS OR COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS:**

Every person, who as principal, shall engage in the business of renting a house, an apartment, or any commercial property located within the City shall pay for the privilege an annual license tax of Twenty-nine (29c) Cents for each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of gross receipts from the rental of any such house, apartment house or commercial property.

Persons engaged in the business of renting houses or apartments or both shall not come within the provisions of this section and the tax levied, unless such person is engaged in the business of renting more than four separate dwelling units.

The business of renting houses and apartments as used in this section shall be construed to include the rental of a building or home or portion thereof used for residential purposes including single-family, two-family and multi-family dwellings but not to include hotels, motels, tourist homes, or boarding and rooming houses,

The words "Dwelling unit" for the purpose of this section shall be construed to mean one or more rooms in a home or apartment house designed for or intended for the occupancy of one (1) family for living purposes and having cooking facilities.

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 January 1, 1955 so as to cover the 1955 license tax year and each and every license tax year thereafter, until otherwise changed.

Marshall J. Beverley
Mayor

Final Passage: December 28, 1954