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ORDINANCE NUMBER 13XX

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL SECTION 19-2 "GRANTS FOR CERTAIN RENTERS BY REASON OF AGE AND INCOME" AND REENACT SECTION 19-2 "GRANTS FOR CERTAIN RENTERS", OF CHAPTER 19 "TAXATION" OF THE GREENBELT CITY CODE

WHEREAS, Section 19-2 of the City Code was enacted in 1973 and provides for a grant program for renters based on age and income which has been inactive for at least 25 years; and

WHEREAS, the State of Maryland has a program entitled the Renters' Tax Credit program for residents who are eligible on the basis of income, age, and/or disability; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, Prince George's County established a similar program called the Renters' Tax Relief Supplement for County residents who meet the eligibility criteria for the State program which is equal to 50% of the State payment; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to establish a new program in Greenbelt which is similar to the County program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the City Council that Section 19-2 "Grants For Certain Renters By Reason Of Age And Income", of Chapter 19 "Taxation" of the Greenbelt City Code be, and is hereby repealed in its entirety; and

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the City Council, that a new Section 19-2, "Grants for Certain Renters" of Chapter 19 "Taxation", of the Greenbelt City Code, be, and is hereby adopted, as follows:

Section 19-2. Grants for Certain Renters

(a) The city manager or his/her designee is hereby appointed to administer the system of grants to certain renters.

(b) The city manager or his/her designee is hereby authorized to promulgate additional rules and regulations which may be necessary for the efficient administration of the system of grants to certain renters; provided that such regulations shall comply with the provisions of this section.

(c) There shall be allowed a single grant for each taxable year upon the application of any City resident who shall qualify in accordance with the State of Maryland Renters' Tax Credit

program. The amount of the City grant payment shall be equal to 50% of the State payment made to the resident.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at its meeting of _____, 2016.

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Emmett V. Jordan, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cindy Murray, City Clerk

Key:

Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.
~~Overstriking~~ indicates language deleted from existing law.
Asterisks *** indicate intervening language.