ORDINANCE NO. 70

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ZAVALLA, TEXAS PROVIDING THAT THE PROPERTY TAX RATE OF PROPERTY TAXES IMPOSED ON THE RESIDENTIAL HOMESTEAD OF A PERSON WHO IS DISABLED OR IS 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER MAY NOT INCREASE, EXCEPTAS AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 11.261© OF THE PROPERTY TAX CODE, WHITLE IT REMAINS THE RESIDENCE HOMESTEAD OF THAT PERSON OR THAT PERSON'S SURVIVING SPOUSE WHO IS DIABLED OR 55 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND RECEIVES A RESIDENCE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION ON THE HOMESTEAD AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF JANUARY 1, 2004.

WHEREAS, the 78th Legislature approved H.B. 136 providing for revisions to Subchapter B, Chapter 11, of the Property Tax Code by adding Section 11.261; and

WHEREAS, the 78th Legislature approved H.J.R. 16 proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the addition of Subsection (h) to Section 1-b, Article VIII, Texas Constitution.

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2003, the voters of the State of Texas approved the Constitutional amendment to add Section (h) to Section 1-b, Article VIII, Texas Constitution.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ZAVALLA, TEXAS:

SECTION 1 That the property tax rate imposed on the homestead of a person who is disabled or is 65 years of age or older that receives a residence homestead exemption may not be increased, except as provided in Section 11:261© of the surviving spouse who is disabled or 55 years of age or older and receives a residence homestead exemption of the homestead.

SECTION II That this ordinances takes effect January 1, 2004 and applies only to property taxes imposed on or after that date.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THE FIRST READING, THIS THE 12^{TH} DAY OF JULY 2004.

MAYOR HULON MILLER

ATTEST:

DONNA MARSHALL, CITY SECRETARY



MOTION BY Sue Hough TO WAIVE THE SECOND READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE #70 AS READ. SECOND BY Sunny Williams.

FOR:

Sure Hough Sunny Williams Waunesa Meltow Pan Hooks AGAINST: None

ABSENT: Greg Fletcher

MAYOR HULON MILLER

ATTEST

DONNA MARSHALL, CITY SECRETARY

