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AN ORDINANCE TO PLACE THE PROPOSED JONESBORO PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE ON THE BALLOT FOR A VOTE OF THE CITIZENS OF JONESBORO ON MARCH 1, 2016 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas has been reviewing the Jonesboro Property Maintenance Code providing requirements for properties located within the City limits of Jonesboro; and

WHEREAS, there has been significant debate and public input both for and against this proposal; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council for the City of Jonesboro to refer this ordinance to the voters to be voted on at the election to be held on March 1, 2016 pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated 14-55-301.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL for the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas, that:

SECTION 1. That the Jonesboro Property Maintenance Code shall be submitted to the electors of the City of Jonesboro on March 1, 2016.

SECTION 2. That the question shall be placed on the ballot for election in substantially the following form:

Vote on measure by placing an X in the square opposite the measure either for or against:

FOR approval of the Jonesboro Property Maintenance Code []

AGAINST approval of the Jonesboro Property Maintenance Code. . . . []

SECTION 3. That the election shall be held and conducted and the vote canvassed and the results declared under the law and in the manner now provided for municipal elections. The results of the election shall be proclaimed by the Mayor, and the Proclamation shall be published one time in a newspaper having a general circulation in the City, which Proclamation shall advise that the results as proclaimed shall be conclusive unless attacked in the courts within thirty days after the date of publication.

SECTION 4. A copy of this Ordinance shall be filed with the Craighead County Clerk at least 70 days prior to the date of the election. A copy of this Ordinance shall be given to the Craighead County Board of Election Commissioners so that the necessary supplies may be provided.

SECTION 5. The Mayor and City Clerk, for and on behalf of the City, are hereby authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary to call and hold the election as herein provided and to perform all acts of whatever nature necessary to carry out the authority conferred by this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. That all ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 7. It is hereby ascertained and declared that there is a great need to establish a code to provide for safe and secure structures in the City of Jonesboro in order to promote and protect the health, safety and welfare of the City and its inhabitants. It is, therefore, declared that an emergency exists and this Ordinance being

necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health and safety shall be in force and take effect immediately from and after its passage.