

ORDINANCE NO. 285

AN ORDINANCE SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF BETHEL HEIGHTS, ARKANSAS, THE QUESTION OF ELECTION OF TWO (2) ALDERMAN FROM EACH WARD TO FOUR-YEAR TERMS AND PROVIDING FOR THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, it appears to the City Council of the City of Bethel Heights, Arkansas that the voters should determine whether alderman serving in the City of Bethel Heights, Arkansas should be elected on the basis of two (2) alderman from each ward to four-year terms, except for the initial terms as hereinafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHEL HEIGHTS, ARKANSAS:

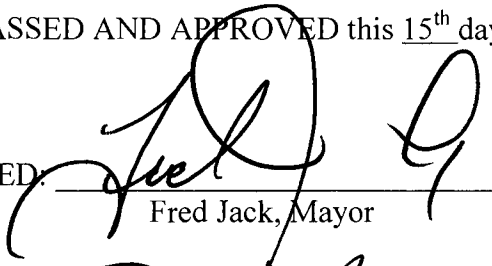
SECTION 1. There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Bethel Heights at the next special election, the question of whether Bethel Heights alderman shall thereafter be elected on the basis of two (2) alderman from each ward to four-year terms, except for a transitional period that the alderman position number two from each ward will be elected to an initial two-year term and thereafter elected to four-year terms, thereby resulting in staggered terms, with one (1) alderman being elected to a four year term from each ward every two (2) years.

SECTION 2. Said question shall be submitted to the voters of the City of Bethel Heights in the December 8th 2009 special election, with the initial four year terms commencing on behalf of alderman elected in the November, 2010 general election.

SECTION 3. Emergency. Therefore an emergency does hereby exist for the preservation of the public peace and efficient order of city government by submitting the proposal to the voters as soon as possible and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15th day of September, 2009.

APPROVED: _____


Fred Jack, Mayor

ATTEST: _____


Janet Nelson, Recorder/Treasurer



I, Janet Nelson do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 285.


Janet Nelson Recorder/Treasurer

Date: September 15th 2009 Time: 7:10p.m.