

477A. The Mayor of Hyattsville, elected in May, 1937, and his successor or successors thereafter appointed in accordance with law to fill any vacancy in the office of Mayor or thereafter elected at any regular election, shall receive a compensation of sixteen dollars (\$16.00) per month to reimburse him for his expenses in connection with the office of Mayor. Each Councilman heretofore elected or elected in May, 1937, qualified and holding office during the municipal year 1937-1938, and each Councilman thereafter appointed in accordance with law to fill any vacancy in that office or thereafter elected and qualified, shall receive a compensation of eight dollars (\$8.00) per month to reimburse him for his expenses in connection with the office of Councilman. The compensation herein provided to be paid to the Mayor and Councilmen shall be chargeable as a municipal expense and included in the tax levy for each year.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall not become effective unless and until it shall be submitted to the qualified voters living within the corporate limits of the Town of Hyattsville, as the same exist at the time of the passage of this Act, at a referendum election and accepted by a majority of the persons voting at said election. For such purpose, a referendum election of the qualified voters, as aforesaid, shall be held by the Mayor and Common Council of Hyattsville at an election, which may be in connection with any regular or special election, the date for which shall be fixed by it not later than six (6) months from the date of the passage of this Act, and said election shall be conducted under the provisions of existing laws for the election of town officers and in accordance with such ordinances as may have been adopted or shall be adopted by the Mayor and Common Council of Hyattsville, not inconsistent with law, for the submission to the voters of said municipality of the provisions of this Act, and the manner of the submission of the question to the voters shall be that on the ballots of such election there shall be printed a synopsis of this Act, which synopsis shall be sufficient if it shall contain the full wording of Section 477A above enacted, and under such synopsis the words, "For compensation for Mayor and Councilmen" with a blank square opposite at the right, and the words, "Against compensation for Mayor and Councilmen" with a blank square opposite at the right, and all qualified voters desiring to vote for the provisions of this Act shall place a cross-mark (X) in the square opposite the words, "For compensation for Mayor and Councilmen" and all qualified voters desiring to vote against the provisions of this Act shall place a cross-mark (X) opposite the words, "Against compensation for Mayor and Councilmen". If at such election a