

tion of said City] ordinance of the Council of Annapolis and said Council, by ordinance, may also divide said wards into such number of precincts as it may deem it advisable from time to time, and the citizens of Annapolis qualified to vote for members of the General Assembly of Maryland, and otherwise qualified by the registration and election laws for for such cases made and provided, shall elect by ballot every four years beginning in [~~1945~~] 1953, on the [~~second Monday in July~~] first Tuesday in May, a Mayor; and the voters in each ward shall at the same time elect by ballot two residents thereof as Aldermen, who shall constitute the Corporation of said City, under the name and style of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis. Said Mayor [~~beginning as of July 15, 1945, and,~~] and said Aldermen shall receive [~~an annual salary of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00)] such salaries as the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis may from time to time fix by ordinance, not exceeding Twenty five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) per year for said Mayor, and not exceeding Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) per year each for said Aldermen,~~ payable in equal monthly installments, said [sum] sums to be payment in full for any and all services performed on behalf of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis or any agency thereof. Said Mayor and said Aldermen shall hold office for terms of four years or until their successors are elected and qualified, and the regular term of said Mayor and said Aldermen shall expire on the second Monday in May in each regular Municipal election year. The Mayor must have resided in the City of Annapolis for at least five years immediately preceding his election, must be a qualified voter in said City and may not hold office for more than two consecutive terms. Aldermen must have resided in Annapolis for at least five years immediately preceding their election, shall be qualified voters in the City and must have been residents of the ward from which they are elected for at least six months immediately preceding their election.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

SEC. 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT THIS ACT IS HEREBY DECLARED TO BE AN EMERGENCY LAW, AND NECESSARY FOR THE IMMEDIATE PRESERVATION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY, AND HAVING BEEN PASSED BY A YEA AND NAY VOTE, SUPPORTED BY THREE-FIFTHS OF ALL THE MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH OF THE TWO HOUSES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, THE