

copy of the said Section 857 of Article 17, as enacted, to the Secretary of the State of Maryland and to the Director of the Department of Legislative Reference of Maryland.

Enacted:

November 4, 1968

Charles L. Armentrout, Mayor

ATTEST:

A. Leroy Trott, City Clerk-Treasurer

A Resolution to repeal Section 857 of Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, as contained in the 1953 Edition of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (Everstine's Edition), as further described as that section of the Charter of the City of Hyattsville entitled "Deductions from assessments of real property owned by certain persons over the age of sixty-five." Said repeal and addition of new section is to promulgate uniform real property tax exemption for citizens over age 65.

*Whereas* the Mayor and City Council of Hyattsville is aware of the problems elderly property owners living on limited or retirement income face, and

*Whereas* the Mayor and City Council is of the opinion that it would be in the public interest to grant certain elderly property owners an exemption from municipal taxation by means of amending the City Charter so as to conform to the exemption extended to this class of tax payer by the Board of County Commissioners of Prince George's County, pursuant to General Resolution No. 30-1963 of the said Board of County Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That Section 857 of the Article 17 of the Public Code of Maryland as contained in the 1953 Edition of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (Everstine's Edition) and further being described as the Section of the charter of the City of Hyattsville, Maryland, titled "Deduction from Assessment of Real Property Owned by Certain Persons Over the Age of Sixty-Five." be repealed in its entirety and in lieu thereof a section numbered 5-13 entitled "Deduction from Assessment of Real Property Owned by Certain Persons Over the Age of Sixty-Five" and add Section 5-13a, titled "Application," both of which to read as follows:

Sec. 5-13. *Deduction from assessment of real property owned by certain persons over the age of sixty-five.*

Every person over the age of sixty-five (65) years who has been a bona fide resident of the City of Hyattsville, and whose total gross income is within the prescribed limitation, and who has legal title or beneficial title to real property located in the City of Hyattsville, and who makes such real property his or her permanent home, shall be entitled to a deduction from the assessed valuation of said property for the purpose of City real estate taxes levied against said property by the City of Hyattsville; provided, that if said taxable real estate is owned as tenants by entirety, only one (1) exemption shall be allowed; provided further, such exemption shall be allowed only if the combined gross income of said tenants by the entirety does not exceed the prescribed limitations of any one (1) year provided further, that such exemption shall be allowed if either one (1) or both of said tenants are sixty-five (65) years of age or more, or if either one (1) or both of said tenants have resided on such property