F. THE TERM "HOMEOWNER" AS USED HEREIN IS DEFINED AS EVERY PERSON WHO ACTUALLY RESIDES IN A DWELLING IN WHICH SUCH PERSON HAS A LEGAL INTEREST, INCLUDING ANY LIFE ESTATE, WHETHER AS SOLE OWNER, JOINT TENANT, TENANT IN COMMON OR TENANT BY THE ENTIRETIES.

"TOTAL INCOME" MEANS TOTAL INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES. INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO GIFTS, AND WHETHER OR INCLUDED IN THE DEFINITIONS OF "GROSS INCOME" FOR FEDERAL STATE INCOME TAX PURPOSES, INCLUDING ANY INCOME RECEIVED FROM SOCIAL SECURITY AND THE RAILROAD RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND ANY INCOME RECEIVED AS A RESULT OF A PINDING OF PERMANENT AND TOTAL DISABILITY BY THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM. THE RAILROAD RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR BY APPROPRIATE AGENCY OF A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, COUNTY, STATE GOVERNMENT, FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA. AND INCOME RECEIVED FROM ANY PUBLIC OR PRIVATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM. THE TERM "COMBINED TOTAL INCOME" MEANS THE TOTAL INCOME OF ALL HOMEOWNERS AND ALL PERSONS ACTUALLY RESIDING IN THE SAME DWELLING EXCEPT THOSE PERSONS PAYING A FIXED RENTAL CHARGE.

Sec. 2. Severability.

The provisions of this Act are severable, and if any provision, sentence, clause, section or part thereof is held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional or inapplicable to any person or circumstances, such illegality, invalidity, unconstitutionality or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections or parts of the Act or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Act would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional provision, sentence, clause, section or part had not been included therein, and if the person or circumstances to which the Act or any part thereof is inapplicable had been specifically exempted therefrom.

Sec. 3. Effective date.

The County Council hereby declares that an emergency exists and that this legislation is necessary for the immediate protection of the public health and safety. Therefore, this emergency legislation shall take effect on the date on which it becomes law.

Approved June 29, 1973.