Service Award Program" to provide for the administration of such a program by the Director of Finance and certification of eligibles by the Fire Commission to clarify and define the term "service" as used in Section 32-20 (b) (2); to change the manner of computing payments to eligible persons; to provide criteria for the expenditure of payments under Section 32-20 (b) (5); to provide funds for administrative expenses associated with the program; to set forth a schedule for certification to more accurately reflect actual volunteer service to the County.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that Section 32-20 of the Public Local Laws of Prince George's County is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

32-20 Length of Service Award Program

There is hereby established a Length of Service Award Program for active volunteer members of the Prince George's County Fire/Rescue Service.

(a) Eligibility

Beginning July 1, 1974, any person who has reached the age of 60 and who has completed a minimum of 25 years of certified active volunteer service, with any Prince George's County volunteer fire company or volunteer rescue squad or combination thereof shall be eligible to participate in the Length of Service Award Program.

The requirements for eligibility are:

- (1) The member must meet the active membership test under the procedures established herein.
- (2) Classification as an "Active" member by an individual department by-laws is not sufficient to be eligible.
- (3) Volunteer members of the fire department of the City of Takoma Park shall not be eligible to participate in the program.

(b) Benefits.

(1) Effective July 1, 1974, and thereafter, any volunteer who has completed twenty-five (25) years of certified active service within the Prince George's County Fire/Rescue Service upon reaching age 60 shall receive a payment of \$100 per month for life. Payments will begin on the first day of the first month following