#### **ORDINANCE NO. 795**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 13 SECTION 13.1 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF JONESBORO DELETING SECTION 13.1 (c) ELIMINATING A CAP ON OCCUPATIONAL LICENCES, PROVIDING FOR MATTERS RELATED THERETO AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE AMENDMENT.

WHEREAS, Section 13.1 of the existing Code of Ordinances of the Town of Jonesboro dealing with occupational license taxes contains a sub-section (c) which sets a maximum amount of occupational license tax of \$25.00 per year for certain taxpayers; and

WHEREAS that limit is no longer in the best interest of the Town of Jonesboro as the cost of administering the tax is out of proportion to the revenue derived from the tax:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Jonesboro, Louisiana, in regular session, duly convened as the governing authority of the Town of Jonesboro, Louisiana as follows, to-wit:

## SECTION I

The Section 13.1 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Jonesboro be and the same are hereby amended to delete in its entirety Section 13.1 (c).

### **SECTION II**

Any provision of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Jonesboro contrary to this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

# **SECTION III**

This ordinance shall become effective on January 1, 2018.

#### SECTION IV

Should any item or provision, including any section, exception, part, phrase or term, or the application thereof be held invalid, the application to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby and the validity of this Ordinance in any and all other respects shall not be affected thereby. If any phrase, clause, word or portion of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity shall be limited to that portion of the Ordinance.

The above ordinance was introduced by Alderman Nia Evans at the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on the 28th day of December 2017, and copies of the same were provided to all members of the Board and the Mayor Pro-Tempore.

The title of the Ordinance was published once in the official journal of the Town of Jonesboro, which notice stated that the Board of Aldermen would consider its adoption at the special meeting of the Board of Alderman scheduled for the 28th day of December 2017, at 12:00 p.m., at which time a public hearing would be held on said ordinance. At that meeting, following a public hearing, this proposed ordinance shall be read by title and called for final passage and may be adopted by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Aldermen. Said ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 2018.

Thus, adopted at the special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Jonesboro held on the 28th day of December 2017, by the following vote:

YEAS: Ms. Nia Evans, Mr. Devin Flowers, Mr. Aaron Stringer

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Robbie Siadek and Ms. Janet Martin

ATTEST:

**CERTIFICATE** 

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Town of Jonesboro declare that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an ordinance adopted by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Jonesboro at a regular meeting held on the 28th of December 2017, at which a quorum was present and voting.

Jonesboro, Louisiana, on this 28th of December.