AN ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 1, BUILDING REGULATIONS, OF PART 8, PLANNING AND REGULATION OF DEVELOPMENT, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF SAVANNAH, GEORGIA (2003) TO ELIMINATE THE CODE ENFORCEMENT APPEALS BOARD; TO PROVIDE FOR EFFECTIVE DATES; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City Code has included certain sections providing for the constitution of a Code Enforcement Appeals Board tasked with hearing and deciding appeals related to the interpretation of technical and permissive codes, except the National Electrical Code, by any City employee administering a given code; and

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Appeals Board has conceptually existed since at least 1998; however, it has not been fully constituted or otherwise conducted business as specified by the City Code in several years; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah find that elimination of the Code of Enforcement Appeals Board will serve the public interest and that matters related to application of the Code can be effectively heard and adjudicated by the Recorder's Court of Chatham County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah, Georgia, in regular meeting of Council assembled, and pursuant to lawful authority thereof:

SECTION 1: That Article B, Administration and Enforcement of Minimum Codes, of Chapter 1, Building Regulations, of Part 8, Planning and Regulation of Development of the Code of the City of Savannah, Georgia (2003), Section 8-1037, *Powers and duties of the building code and fire officials*, be amended by deleting subsection (e)(6) in its entirety.

SECTION 2: That Article A, Buildings in general, of Chapter 1, Building Regulations, of Part 8, Planning and Regulation of Development of the Code of the City of Savannah, Georgia (2003), Section 8-1002, Local Code Amendments be amended to add subsection 2.(d) as follows:

2.(d) Section 107.2 paragraph 5 of the International Property Maintenance Code 2012 edition is amended by deleting this paragraph in its entirety.

SECTION 3: That Article B, Administration and Enforcement of Minimum Codes, of Chapter 1, Building Regulations, of Part 8, Planning and Regulation of Development of the Code of the City of Savannah, Georgia (2003), Section 8-1040, *Code enforcement appeals board*, be deleted in its entirety and reserved for future use.

SECTION 4: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5: This ordinance shall become effective when the Mayor affixes his signature below.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED:_____

Eddie W. DeLoach, Mayor

Mark Massey, Clerk of Council