ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE VALUE OF A PERCENTAGE-BASED HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FROM AD VALOREM TAXES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. Council finds that Texas Tax Code Section 11.13(n) authorizes the city to establish a percentage-based exemption from ad valorem (property) taxes on the appraised value of residential homesteads. If the percentage set by the city produces an exemption in a tax year of less than $5,000 when applied to a particular residence homestead, the individual is entitled to an exemption of $5,000 of the appraised value.

PART 2. Council finds that it is in the public interest to establish such a homestead exemption in the amount of 0.01% of the assessed value of residence homesteads. This percentage will effectively result in a $5,000 exemption.

PART 3. Council adopts the amount of 0.01% as the homestead exemption from ad valorem taxes.

PART 4. The exemption adopted pursuant to this ordinance applies to the tax year beginning January 1, 2015.

PART 5. This ordinance takes effect on _____, 2014.

PASSED AND APPROVED

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_____, 2014 § _____
Lee Leffingwell
Mayor

APPROVED: _____ **ATTEST:** _____

Karen M. Kennard
City Attorney

Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk

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