Bill No. 1092-03

MOTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF COUNCIL OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY

Encouraging the State Legislature to introduce and enact legislation that would extend the application deadline for the County's Homestead Exemption to April 30, 2003; and further encouraging the introduction and enactment of legislation that would provide any local government with the ability to set their own application deadline date.

WHEREAS, County Council enacted a Homestead Exemption provision last year to assist all residential taxpayers by providing some tax relief from the countywide reassessment; and

WHEREAS, the deadline to apply for the Homestead Exemption is Saturday, March 1, 2003, leaving little time for homeowners who are qualified to apply; and

WHEREAS, extending the application deadline to April 30, 2003 would give taxpayers more time to apply and would ensure all eligible taxpayers the opportunity to participate in the Homestead Exemption; and

WHEREAS, the April 30th deadline would coincide with the Allegheny County tax payment deadline, combining all 2003 county tax issues; and

WHEREAS, local governments wishing to assist their taxpayers with a Homestead Exemption should have the ability to establish an application deadline of their choosing.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS MOVED, AND IT IS THE SENSE OF THE COUNCIL OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY,

That this Council hereby does encouraging the State Legislature to introduce and enact legislation that would extend the application deadline for the County's Homestead Exemption to April 30, 2003; and further encourages the introduction and enactment of legislation that would provide any local government with the ability to set their own application deadline date.

SPONSORED BY COUNCIL MEMBER FONTANA

John Mascio Chief Clerk of Council

In Council

Attest:

Read and Approved.

James E. Simms **President of Council**

2003.

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Subjec	t:	Bill No. 1092-03 - Motion of Allegheny County Council

Dear Senators and State Representatives,

At the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on March 4, 2003, Council unanimously passed the attached Motion, Bill No. 1092-03, which encourages the State Legislature to introduce and enact legislation that would extend the application deadline for the County's Homestead Exemption to April 30, 2003.

Your attention to the Motion is requested.

John Mascio Chief Clerk Allegheny County Council



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