



**ORDINANCE NO. 2976**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XI OF CHAPTER 98 OF THE NORTH RICHLAND HILLS CODE OF ORDINANCES; REVISING RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO CERTAIN MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING UNITS; DEFINING AND MAKING HOTELS SUBJECT TO LICENSING AND INSPECTION; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the city staff has recommended amendments to the city's apartment regulations and to make hotels subject to certain of the regulations applicable to apartments; and

**WHEREAS**, the enforcement of the city's apartment regulations has resulted in improvement of living conditions and the appearance of such structures and thus improving the quality of life, safety and general welfare of the city's inhabitants; and,

**WHEREAS**, the hotels and similar residential housing in the city is not currently subject to such regulations and would be improved if subject to licensing, inspection and standards ensuring proper maintenance and compliance with safety and; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS:**

**SECTION 1.**

That Article XI of Chapter 98 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of North Richland Hills, Texas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**"ARTICLE XI. MULTIFAMILY HOUSING and HOTEL MAINTENANCE**

**Sec. 98-535. Fire protection.**

(b) All vent hoods located above cooking appliances shall be equipped with a temporary or permanent fire suppression system as approved by the building official.