

ORDINANCE NO. 2, 1959

An Ordinance to establish a Bloomington Council for the study of Problems of Aging; setting forth the purposes of the Council, and empowering such Council to adopt by-laws to govern its organization, activities and proceedings.

WHEREAS, the segment of the American population over 65 years of age is constantly increasing until it has become a considerable proportion of the inhabitants of each community, amounting to approximately 3,000 in Bloomington and 5,000 in Monroe County;

WHEREAS, the physical, economic, social and spiritual problems of this aging and aged group differ materially from those of any other group of the community and are very much unexplored and unrecognized in this community; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to have a proper forum of interested and responsible citizens of the community to study and discuss these problems which will be of greater and greater significance to each of us as the years go by and to make recommendations thereon to the Common Council, now

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA:

SECTION 1. For the purposes set forth in Section 4 hereof, there is hereby established a Bloomington Council for the Study of Problems of Aging (short title: Council on Aging), which shall in the remainder of this ordinance be referred to as the "Council". The Council shall consist of twelve members, appointed by the mayor from among the citizens of Bloomington who are interested in the problems of the aging and aged. The Council members shall be appointed upon a non-partisan basis.

SECTION 2. Upon the establishment of the Council the members shall be initially appointed for terms as follows: four (4) members for one year, four (4) members for two years, and four (4) members for three year terms. Thereafter as each term expires each new member shall be appointed for a three-year term. All terms shall expire on March 31 of the respective year, but an appointee shall continue in office until his successor is appointed.

The mayor may terminate the appointment of any member upon recommendation of the Council. Notice of such termination of appointment, with reasons therefor, shall be communicated to the member concerned by first-class mail. The successor in such case shall be appointed for the remainder of the term vacated.

SECTION 3. In addition to the members of the Council there shall be associated with it, as an integral part thereof, two additional classes of members: associate members and advisory members. An associate member shall be a person who has been delegated by any organization of the community to meet with the Council and has been accepted by the Council as such associate member. An advisory member shall be a person of the community who is selected by the chairman of the Council with the advice and consent of the Council to serve in an advisory capacity because of some special interest, knowledge or capacity which will be of service to the Council.

SECTION 4. The purpose of this Council shall be to encourage research in and study and discussion of the problems of the aging and aged in this community, especially such problems as (a) income maintenance, (b) education for retirement, (c) health and physical care, (d) housing, living arrangements and family relationships, (e) effective use of leisure time, and (f) spiritual relationships; to encourage participation on the part of the Council members in sectional and statewide conferences on aging; and to report from time to time to the Common Council with appropriate recommendations on problems of the aging in the community.

SECTION 5. The Council shall at its first meeting in April of each year elect a chairman, two vice-chairmen and a

secretary to serve for one year; and such officers and one other, who shall be selected by the associate members, shall constitute the executive committee of the Council. Five members of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SECTION 6. The Council is hereby empowered to adopt by-laws establishing rules for the conduct of its meetings and establishing policies and administrative procedures for the carrying out of the purposes of the Council as set forth in Section 4 hereof: Provided, such by-laws and any amendments thereof shall be approved by the Mayor.

SECTION 7. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Passed and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Indiana, on the 3rd day of March, 1959.

S/ Thos. L. Lemon
Thos. L. Lemon, Presiding Officer

Attest:

S/ Mary Alice Dunlap
Mary Alice Dunlap, Clerk-Treasurer

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Indiana, on the 4th day of March, 1959, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock P.M.

S/ Mary Alice Dunlap
Mary Alice Dunlap, Clerk-Treasurer

This Ordinance approved and signed by me on the 4th day of March, 1959, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock P.M.

S/ Thos. L. Lemon
Thos. L. Lemon, Mayor