

Sponsored by: Councilwoman Castellano

Seconded by: Councilman Russo

**City of Hoboken
Ordinance No.: ____**

**An Ordinance Reducing The Salaries of the
Members of the City Council By Ten Percent**

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Hoboken City Council to productively move forward with the 2009 budget in a positive and collaborative manner; and,

WHEREAS, the Council wishes to convey its sincere concern regarding the financial impact of the recent tax increase to the citizenry and to demonstrate the Council's continued support of Hoboken's taxpayers; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Faulkner Act, specifically, N.J.S.A. 40:69A-180(c), the compensation of the members of the Hoboken City Council is to be established by ordinance; and,

WHEREAS, the Council has previously adopted a salary ordinance setting forth the compensation for its members; and,

WHEREAS, the Council has the authority to amend the compensation for its members at any time it sees fit; and,

WHEREAS, the Council is committed to serving the taxpayers by setting an example and reducing its own salaries by 10%;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Hoboken, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey as follows:

Section One:

The base annual salary of the members of the City Council, previously established by Ordinance in the amount of \$24,130, shall be reduced by ten percent (10%), which is a reduction of \$2413.00 and shall result in a new base annual salary of \$21,717.00.

The base annual salary of the Council President, previously established by Ordinance in the amount of \$26,541, shall be reduced by ten percent (10%), which is a reduction of \$2654.10 and shall result in a new base annual salary of \$23,886.10.

Section Two: Repeal of Inconsistent Provisions

All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, but only however, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, it being the legislative intent that all ordinances or part of ordinances now existing or in effect unless the same being conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance shall remain in effect.

Section Three: Severability

The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance, but shall remaining in effect; it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall stand not withstanding the invalidity of any part.

Section Four: Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Section Five: Codification

This ordinance shall be a part of the Code of the City of Hoboken as though codified and fully set forth therein. The City Clerk shall have this ordinance codified and incorporated in the official copies of the Code.

The City Clerk and the Corporation Counsel are authorized and directed to change any Chapter, Article and/or Section number of the Code of the City of Hoboken in the event that the codification of this Ordinance reveals that there is a conflict between the numbers and the existing Code, and in order to avoid confusion and possible accidental repealers of existing provisions not intended to be repealed.

Introduced: February 4, 2009

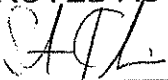
ADOPTED:

APPROVED:

James J. Farina, City Clerk

David Roberts, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Steven W. Kleinman, Corporation Counsel