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## THE CITY OF BEL AIRE, KANSAS

## CHARTER ORDINANCE NO. 7

A CHARTER ORDINANCE EXEMPTING THE CITY OF BEL AIRE, KANSAS FROM CERTAIN TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF K.S.A. 14-103 AND 14-204, AND PROVIDING SUBSTITUTE PROVISIONS ON THE SAME SUBJECTS, RELATING TO THE CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS AND THE TENURE OF ELECTED CITY OFFICIALS.

WHEREAS, the City of Bel Aire, Kansas has been designated as a city of the second class; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bel Aire, Kansas deems it advisable to exempt itself from certain state statutes generally applicable to cities of the second class;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF BEL AIRE, KANSAS:

Section 1. Exemption

The City of Bel Aire, Kansas, by virtue of the power vested in it by Article 12, Section 5 of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, hereby elects to make inapplicable to it and exempts itself from the provisions of K.S.A. 14-103, and those portions of K.S.A. 14-204 requiring the creation of wards and the election of two council members from each ward for two year terms at the city election on the first Tuesday in April of each odd-numbered year.

In exempting itself, the City of Bel Aire, Kansas finds that such provisions are applicable to cities of the second class, but not uniformly applicable to all cities. Therefore, the City of Bel Aire, Kansas hereby adopts substitute and additional provisions on the same subject as hereinafter provided.

## Section 2. Council Positions Established

There are hereby established five council member positions which shall be elected at large from the City of Bel Aire, Kansas. Two council member positions shall be filled by election on the first Tuesday in April in 1999. The remaining three council member positions shall be filled by election on the first Tuesday in April of 2001. The positions shall be elected for four (4) year terms.

## Section 3. Existing Council Positions

The existing members of the Bel Aire City Council shall hold office for their existing terms and until their successors have been elected and gualified as provided for above.

Section 4. Effective Date

This Charter Ordinance shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the official city newspaper and shall take effect 61 days after final publication unless a sufficient petition for a referendum is filed, requiring a referendum to be held on this Charter Ordinance as provided in Article 12, Section 5 Subsection (c) (3) of the Constitution of the State of Kansas. If a sufficient petition for a referendum is filed, this Charter Ordinance shall become effective upon approval by a majority of electors voting thereon.

Passed by the City Council by not less than two-thirds of the memberselect voting in favor thereof this 7th day of July, 1998.

Approved by the Mayor this 7th day of July, 1998.

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ATTEST:

CITY CLERK, SHERRYL L. CUTTER