ORDINANCE NO. 423

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE LEVYING OF A COMMUNICATION SERVICES TAX IN THE CITY OF MEXICO BEACH AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the State of Florida, in an effort to simplify the numerous telecommunications services taxes and franchise fees enacted into law the Communications Services Tax Simplification Law that eliminates all other telecommunications services taxes and franchise fees.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MEXICO BEACH, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Per Chapter 2001-140, Laws of Florida, (CS/CS/SB 1878) entitled the Communications Services Tax Simplification Law, there is hereby levied in the City of Mexico Beach, Florida a Communication Services tax equal to three point two percent (3.2%) on all communication services. This ordinance eliminates all other telecommunications services taxes and franchise fees and repeals those sections of Ordinance 213 that relate to telecommunications services taxes.

<u>Section 2.</u> In lieu of permit fees, the City of Mexico Beach elects to impose the permit add-on of point one-two percent (0.12%) on all communications services.

<u>Section 3.</u> The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice of this ordinance as provided by law.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect on passage.

INTRODUCED at the regular meeting of the City Council on the 13^{th} day of August 2002 and ADOPTED at .

CITY OF MEXICO BEACH, FLORIDA

Kathy Kingsland

Mayor

ATTEST:

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