ORDINANCE NO. 2815

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO VETERAN'S PREFERENCE IN CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS AND AMENDING SUBSECTION 3.54.020(3) OF THE KIRKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE.

Whereas, the Civil Service Commission has recommended to the City Council a change in the veteran's preference in civil service examination provisions under the City of Kirkland civil service system in order that such veteran's preference provisions may be comparable to the preference accorded to veterans under similar state laws; and

Whereas, the Kirkland City Council believes such comparability is in the interest of both the City and those veterans desiring to apply for positions covered by civil service and the City of Kirkland, now, therefore,

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Kirkland as follows:

Section 1. Subsection 3.54.020(3) of the Kirkland municipal code relating to civil service for policemen and firefighters be and it hereby is amended to read as follows:

3.54.020(3) The rules and regulations adopted by the Commission shall provide for a credit of up to ten percent in favor of all applicants for appointment under civil service who: (i) have served in any branch of the armed forces of the United States between World War I and World War II, or during any period of war, or has served in any branch of the armed forces of the United States and has received the armed forces expeditionary medal or marine corp and navy expeditionary medal for opposed action on foreign soil; and (ii) have received an honorable discharge or received a discharge for physical reasons with an honorable record. [In time of war or in any expedition of the armed forces of the United States have served in and been honorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States, including the army, navy and marine corp and the American Red Gross. These credits apply to entrance examinations A "period of war" includes World War I, World War II. the Korean conflict, the Viet Nam era, and the period beginning on the date of any future

declaration of war by the Congress and ending on the date prescribed by presidential proclamation or concurrent resolution of the Congress. The Viet Nam era means the period beginning August 5, 1964 and ending on May 7, 1975. The credit must be claimed by a veteran within eight (8) years of the date of his release from active service provided that said eight-year limitation shall not apply to a veteran of the Viet Nam era until December 31, 1987.

Section 2. If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance shall for any reason be held to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be in force and effect five days from and after its passage by the Kirkland City Council and posting or publication, as required by law.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in regular, open meeting this <u>6th</u> day of <u>August</u>, 1984.

Signed in authentication thereof this 6th day of August , 1984.

Horis Cooper

ATTEST:

Director of Administration & Finance

(ex officio City Clerk)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing ordinance was posted on the 7th day of August , 1984 in accordance with the provisions of RCW 35A.12.160 and City of Kirkland Ordinance No. 2600.

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