AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE V, SECTION 10-203 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE RELATING TO HOUSING

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>: Sec. 10-203. Procedure for correction of dwellings unfit for human habitation. is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(g) Payment of costs of work done by city. The cost of such repairs, alterations, improvements, vacating and closing, including occupant relocation, removal, demolition, grading, filling, seeding, or securing and making safe by the housing conservation administrator and the actual cost of service of complaints and orders by publication shall be a lien in the nature of a special assessment against the real property upon which such cost was incurred. If the real property upon which the cost was incurred is located within the city limits, then the amount of the cost is also a lien on any other real property of the owner located within the city limits or within one mile thereof except for the owner's primary residence, unless of course the primary residence is the original property subject to the lien. The additional lien provided in this subsection is inferior to all prior liens and shall be collected as a money judgment. If the housing is removed or demolished by the administrator, he shall sell the materials of such housing and shall credit the proceeds of such sale against the cost of the removal or demolition, and any balance remaining shall be deposited in the superior court by the administrator, shall be secured in such manner as may be directed by such court, and shall be disbursed by such court to the persons found to be entitled thereto by final order or decree of such court."

Section 2: The ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.