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## Fairburn Takes Care of Its Own: City Council Boosts Tax Relief for Senior Residents

**Fairburn, GA** — **August 12, 2024** — The City of Fairburn City Council has unanimously approved an amendment to increase the Homestead Exemption for residents who are 70 years of age and older, as well as for disabled residents. This amendment, effective January 1, 2025, provides a significant financial benefit to eligible homeowners by offering an exemption on \$30,000 of the assessed value of their primary residence.

"This increased exemption is part of our ongoing commitment to supporting our senior and disabled residents, ensuring they can continue to live comfortably and securely in their homes," said Mario B. Avery, Mayor of Fairburn. "We recognize the importance of easing the financial burden for those who have contributed so much to our community."

Under the new amendment, residents of the City of Fairburn who are 70 years of age or older by April 1 of the applicable calendar year, or who are disabled, are eligible for the increased Homestead Exemption. This exemption reduces the taxable value of their primary residence by \$30,000.

For residents aged 70 and older who are currently receiving the \$25,000 exemption, no reapplication is required. The existing \$25,000 exemption will continue to be available for residents aged 65-69. If necessary, to validate eligibility for the new exemption, residents are asked to visit the Fairburn Administrative Offices at 314 NW Broad Street and provide proof of age (ID).

This amendment reflects Fairburn's ongoing dedication to creating a supportive and inclusive community, particularly for those on fixed incomes or facing financial challenges.

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## **About the City of Fairburn:**

The City of Fairburn, "Situated to Succeed," is a vibrant and thriving community located in the heart of southern Fulton County, Georgia, boasting a rich historical legacy. Dedicated to fostering a high quality of life, Fairburn is committed to sustainable development, economic vitality, and inclusive community engagement. With a focus on innovation and growth, Fairburn continuously strives to enhance the well-being of its residents while preserving its unique character and charm. Discover more about Fairburn's initiatives and community spirit at www.fairburn.com.