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Application for Real Estate Tax Exemption of Surviving Spouse of a United States Armed Forces Veteran Killed in Action

Pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 6-A of Article X of the Constitution of Virginia, and, Virginia Code § 58.1-3219.9, application for exemption from taxation is hereby made for the real property described below. I am the surviving spouse of a member of the United States armed forces killed in action.

Property Address: _____

Number of total acres of land on which the dwelling is situated: _____

Owner Name as recorded on the Deed: _____

Approximate date property was acquired (date of deed): _____

Name of Surviving Spouse (Applicant, please print): _____

Social Security No. _____ Date of Birth _____

Name of Member Killed in Action: _____

Date Member Killed in Action: _____

I declare, under penalty of perjury that the information contained herein and supporting documentation is accurate and complete; my spouse was a veteran of the United States Armed Forces and was Killed in Action; the dwelling noted above is my principal residence; and, as the surviving spouse, I have not remarried.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date: _____

Daytime Telephone: _____

E-mail address: _____

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The Code of Virginia exempts from real estate taxation the principal residence of the surviving spouse of a member in the armed forces killed in action.

State law sets forth the following criteria for a surviving spouse to qualify for this exemption:

- Applicable to a residential dwelling on the assessed value that is not in excess of the average assessed residential value for the applicable tax year, as determined by the Department of Finance (please contact the Revenue Division at www.alexandriava.gov/taxrelief for more information on this amount).
- If the value of the applicant's dwelling is in excess of the average assessed residential value in the City, then only that portion of the assessed value that is not in excess of the average value shall be exempt from real property taxes. In most cases, exemption applies to the qualifying dwelling and the land, not exceeding two acres upon which it is situated.
- The surviving spouse must not be remarried. Real property must be applicant's principal place of residence. The exemption applies without any restriction on the spouse's moving to a different principal place of residence.
- Veteran must have been killed in action. Killed in action includes a determination by the U.S. Department of Defense of "died of wounds received in action."
- If the surviving spouse acquires the property after January 1, 2015, the exemption shall begin on the date of acquisition.
- In no case shall the exemption apply to any tax year prior to 2015, regardless of the date of the veteran's death.

Required Documentation:

- Copy of veteran's official death certificate from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and related documentation, if any, from the U.S. Department of Defense, validating that the service member was Killed in Action.
- Copy of official marriage certificate between the surviving spouse and the deceased service member.

Please mail the completed application to the Revenue Division at the address above.

We offer our condolences on your loss and extend our appreciation for your spouse's sacrifice in service of this country.