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## Alexandria Approves Exemption To Allow Breastfeeding In Public Places

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On February 12, 2011, City Council approved an amendment to the City's Indecent Exposure Ordinance that exempts breastfeeding a child in public places as a violation of the City Code. City Council considered the amendment based upon recommendations from The Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria, which has established promotion of breastfeeding as an important objective, and to demonstrate community support for mothers who breastfeed their children.

While the City does not have any record of mothers being cited for breastfeeding their children in public, the change to the City's code help to promote breastfeeding as a positive practice for both mothers and children in Alexandria. On February 22, 2011, City Council will consider approval of a resolution presented by the Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria that promotes breastfeeding as part of health and wellness initiatives in the City of Alexandria.



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