2019 Application for Senior Citizen CONDO OWNER Water/Sewer Credit

The City of Melrose Revised Ordinances (May 2016 Chapter 228-20) provides for an annual credit towards your Real Estate tax bill in the amount of $146 to senior citizens living in a condo where their water usage is paid for by their condo association. The $146 credit is equal to the average annual discount provided to single family homeowners currently receiving the 20% discount. Such discount will be granted upon application by Senior Citizen (65 years or older) who occupy their properties and meet certain consumption guidelines.

To be eligible for the $146 credit you must meet the following criteria:

- You must be 65 years of age or older on the day you apply
- Occupy the property as your principal place of residence for at least one full year.
- Annual water consumption by applicant must not exceed 6,250 cubic feet. Consumption will be based on the condo’s annual consumption divided by the number of units.
- The Condo Association must not have any water/sewer bills in arrears over 90 days.

If you received the credit last year, you only need to provide the following documentation with your application:

- Proof of residency – copy of electric bill, gas bill, or phone/cable for the property in the applicant’s name

New applicants must provide the following documentation with your application:

- Proof of age - copy of applicants State ID or Federal ID showing Date of Birth (State ID, driver’s license, passport, or birth certificate)
- Proof of ownership – copy of deed or property tax bill in the applicant’s name
- Proof of residency – copy of electric bill, gas bill, or phone/cable for the property in the applicant’s name

Applications may be submitted annually at the Melrose Water Department from August 1st to October 15th. Once approved, the $146 credit will be applied to your January Real Estate Tax bill dated 1/1/2020.

If you need assistance with this application please call Lisa Patterson at 781-979-4175 or email waterbills@cityofmelrose.org. Please return the completed application and supporting documentation to Melrose Water Division, 562 Main St, Melrose, MA 02176

Date Received: _______________ Discount Approved (circle one): YES NO
Date Approved: _______________ Authorized Signature: ________________________________