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2 **Equal Protection Commission** - the purpose of creating a Commission to study and
3 provide the Mayor and City Council with a public forum to recommend and act to
4 understand, mandate and enforce “equal protection under the law” in Annapolis; and all
5 matters relating to said Commission.

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7 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE**
8 **City of Annapolis**

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10 **Resolution 7-17**

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12 **Introduced by: Alderwoman Pindell Charles**

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15 **Referred to:**

16 **Public Safety Committee**

17 **Rules and City Government**

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19 **A RESOLUTION** concerning

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22 **EQUAL PROTECTION COMMISSION**

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24 **FOR** the purpose of creating a Commission to study and provide the Mayor and City
25 Council with a public forum to recommend and act to understand, mandate and
26 enforce “equal protection under the law” in Annapolis; and all matters relating to
27 said Commission.

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29 **WHEREAS** the 14th Amendment to the United States Constitution guarantees all
30 persons equal protection of law; and

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32 **WHEREAS** the Mayor and City Council have a fundamental and compelling interest in
33 providing all persons in Annapolis with equal protection applicable to the
34 laws of the City as codified in the Annapolis City Code, as revised from
35 time to time; and

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37 **WHEREAS** the Mayor and City Council desire to address the concerns, fears and
38 questions raised about matters of equal protection enforcement of laws
39 under the City of Annapolis jurisdiction.

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41 **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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43 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the City of
44 Annapolis Equal Protection Commission be and the same is hereby appointed.
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1 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that
2 in support of those purposes:

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- 4 1. The members of the Commission shall be no more than 9, with a chair to be
5 elected;
- 6 2. The members of the Commission shall serve without compensation;
- 7 3. The members of the Commission shall elect from among their membership a vice
8 chair and secretary;
- 9 4. The Commission shall meet publicly at least once a month and, where feasible,
10 shall take testimony from the public at each meeting;
- 11 5. Findings and recommendations shall be submitted publicly in a quarterly report to
12 the Mayor and City Council; and
- 13 6. The business of the Commission shall be conducted consistent with the provisions
14 of Robert's Rules of Order (11th Edition).
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