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2 **Use and Deputization of Mayor's Personal Vessel for Governmental Use** - For the purpose of
3 officially demonstrating that water transportation is a viable option in Annapolis that will reduce
4 road congestion and greenhouse gas emissions; for further demonstrating that governmental
5 services, as applicable, can be improved through the deputization of the Mayor's personal vessel;
6 and related other matters.

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9 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE**
10 **City of Annapolis**

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12 **Resolution 39-22**

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14 **Introduced by: Alderwoman Tierney**

15 **Co-sponsored by: Alderman Arnett, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderwomen O'Neill,**
16 **Alderwoman Pindell Charles, Alderman Savidge,**
17 **Alderman Schandelmeier,**

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20 **A RESOLUTION** concerning

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25 Annapolis that will reduce road congestion and greenhouse gas emissions; for further
26 demonstrating that governmental services, as applicable, can be improved through the
27 deputization of the Mayor's personal vessel; and related other matters.

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29 **WHEREAS,** the Mayor is the Chief Executive Officer and Administrative Director of the City
30 government with a primary responsibility to formulate policy and implement long
31 range plans for the City of Annapolis; and

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33 **WHEREAS,** the Mayor is the lead ambassador for the City of Annapolis, who oversees the duties
34 of the Annapolis Police Department, the Annapolis Fire Department, the
35 Harbormaster, and the Recreation and Parks Department; and

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37 **WHEREAS,** the City of Annapolis desires to demonstrate that water transportation is a viable
38 option in Annapolis that will reduce road congestion and greenhouse gas emissions;
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41 **WHEREAS,** the City of Annapolis further desires to demonstrate that governmental services, as
42 applicable, can be improved through the deputization of the Mayor's personal
43 vessel for governmental purposes in connection with the Mayor's role as the Chief
44 Executive Officer and Administrative Director of the City government; and

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- 1 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 15.04.050 of the Code of the City of Annapolis, as may be
2 amended, any duties or responsibilities related to enforcement purposes under Title
3 15 of the Code of the City of Annapolis, as may be amended, may be delegated to
4 assist with the orderly control and management of the City waterways and
5 associated waterfront areas; and
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- 7 **WHEREAS**, if the Mayor owns a personal vessel, then he or she shall use best efforts to use that
8 personal vessel as a means of transportation between his or her residence and any
9 City-work locations, events, or similar governmental activities during the term(s)
10 elected as Mayor; and
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- 12 **WHEREAS**, if a Mayor is willing to deputize his or her personal vessel, then the City may deploy
13 the Mayor and that personal vessel as may be needed, in the City's sole discretion,
14 for public service uses and with the Mayor operating that personal vessel as an
15 agent of the City during the term(s) elected as Mayor; and
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- 17 **WHEREAS**, if a Mayor is willing to deputize his or her personal vessel, the Mayor shall
18 coordinate City-use of that personal vessel with the City's Harbormaster, and the
19 Mayor shall call the Harbormaster's office at 410-263-7973 or on VHF Channel 17
20 if he or she becomes aware of any violations of Title 15 of the City of Annapolis
21 Code, as may be amended, during operation of that vessel in City waters; and
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- 23 **WHEREAS**, upon deputization of the Mayor's personal vessel, the Mayor shall maintain a VHS
24 handheld radio on that personal vessel in working order at all times during the
25 term(s) elected as Mayor; and
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- 27 **WHEREAS**, upon deputization of the Mayor's personal vessel, the Mayor shall maintain a City
28 seal, or other City marking provided by the City's Harbormaster, on that personal
29 vessel at all times during the term(s) elected as Mayor; and
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- 31 **WHEREAS**, regardless of any language to the contrary in the Code of the City of Annapolis, as
32 may be amended, and to assist with the goals and the purposes of this Resolution,
33 the Mayor shall be entitled to dock his or her deputized personal vessel (of any size)
34 at any City harbor, dock, launching facility or street end; and
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- 36 **WHEREAS**, the Mayor reserves the right to use that personal vessel for personal reasons when
37 the City has no scheduled use of that personal vessel; and
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- 39 **WHEREAS**, in the operation of that personal vessel, both the City and the Mayor, as applicable,
40 shall comply with all laws, regulations, rules and orders of lawfully instituted
41 authorities; and
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- 43 **WHEREAS**, the Mayor shall continue to bear all expenses incidental to the possession, use,
44 operation and maintenance of that personal vessel, including, but not limited to fuel,
45 storage, repairs, maintenance, and insurance; and
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1 **WHEREAS,** no City profits or funds will be provided to the Mayor in exchange for this donation
2 of services as relates to use of that personal vessel, and no remuneration or
3 government benefits of any kind or type is expected by the Mayor; and
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5 **WHEREAS,** this donation of services by the Mayor is a gift with no expectation of a monetary
6 return or gain, and which instead is to be used to further the City's safety and
7 security and tourism efforts, and is in the best interest of the City.
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9 **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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11 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the City of Annapolis
12 hereby supports and agrees that a Mayor with a personal vessel may have that personal vessel used
13 and deputized for governmental use in accordance with the terms of this Resolution.
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16 **EXPLANATION**

17 Underlining indicates matter added.

18 [~~Strikethrough~~] indicates matter stricken.
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