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2 **Acting Mayor Designation** – For the purpose of amending the procedure for designating
3 an Acting Mayor.

4 **..Body**

5 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE**

6 *City of Annapolis*

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8 **Charter Amendment 1-19**

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10 **Introduced by: Alderwoman Henson**

11 **Referred to**

12 **Rules and City Government Committee**

13 **A CHARTER AMENDMENT** Resolution concerning

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15 **Acting Mayor Designation**

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17 **FOR** the purpose of amending the procedure for designating an Acting Mayor.

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19 **BY** repealing and reenacting the following portion of the City Charter:
20 Article V, Section 3.

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22 **SECTION I: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the
23 Charter of the City of Annapolis shall be amended to read as follows:

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25 **Article V MAYOR**

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27 **Sec. 3. – Acting mayor.**

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29 (a) The mayor ~~may~~, during his temporary disability or absence from the city for longer
30 than one day, may designate in writing an alderman/alderwoman to serve as acting mayor
31 and to perform the duties of the office. An acting mayor has the same rights, duties, powers
32 and obligations as the mayor.

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34 (b) In the event that the mayor is temporarily disabled or absent from the city for longer
35 than one day and fails to designate an acting mayor as above provided, ~~the city manager~~
36 the aldermen/alderwomen, in successive order, beginning with the current
37 alderman/alderwoman who has served the longest length of time on the city council and
38 ending with the alderman/alderwoman who has served the shortest length of time on the
39 city council shall serve as acting mayor until such time as the city council, at the call of
40 any member, meets and, by a majority vote, designates an alderman/alderwoman to serve
41 as acting mayor. ~~An acting mayor has the same rights, duties, powers and obligations as~~
42 ~~the mayor.~~ In the event that no member of the city council is able to serve as acting mayor
43 due to temporary disability or absence from the city, until such time as the city council, at
44 the call of any member, meets and by a majority vote, or until the vacancy of the mayor or
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1 alderman/alderwoman may be filled pursuant to Art. 2 Sec. 7 of the charter, whichever
2 shall occur first, the individual serving in each position listed below, in ascending order of
3 succession, shall serve as acting mayor:

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- 5 (1) city manager;
- 6 (2) director of finance;
- 7 (3) city attorney;
- 8 (4) director of public works;
- 9 (5) director of planning and zoning;
- 10 (6) director of transportation;
- 11 (7) director of recreation and parks;
- 12 (8) fire chief;
- 13 (9) police chief.
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15 (c) No later than the fourth council meeting after the mayor and aldermen/alderwomen
16 take office, the city council shall, by resolution, designate the successive order of each
17 current alderman/alderwoman beginning with the alderman/alderwoman who has served
18 the longest length of time on the city council and ending with the alderman/alderwoman
19 who has served the shortest length of time on the city council.

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22 **SECTION II: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY**
23 **COUNCIL** that a notice of public hearing was published on the proposed charter
24 amendment, at least 21 days in advance of the public hearing that was held on _____,
25 2019.

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28 **SECTION III: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY**
29 **COUNCIL** that the date of adoption of this Resolution is _____, 2019, and the
30 amendments of the Charter of the City of Annapolis, hereby enacted shall become effective
31 on _____, 2019, unless a proper petition for referendum hereon shall be filed
32 as permitted by law within 40 days of adoption, provided a complete and exact copy of this
33 Resolution shall be continuously posted on the bulletin board in the City Hall until _____
34 _____, 2019, and provided further that a copy of the title of this Resolution
35 shall be published in "The Capital," a newspaper of general circulation in the City of
36 Annapolis, or in any other newspaper of such general circulation, once in each of the weeks
37 on, _____, 2019, _____, 2019, _____, 2019,
38 and _____, 2019.

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40 **SECTION IV: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY**
41 **COUNCIL** that the Mayor is hereby specifically commanded to carry out the provisions
42 of Section II hereof, and, as evidence of such compliance, the Mayor shall cause to be
43 maintained appropriate certificates of publication of the newspaper or newspapers in which
44 the title of the Resolution shall have been published and if a favorable referendum is held
45 on the Charter change, shall declare the Charter change hereby enacted to be effective on

1 _____, 2019, by affixing his signature hereto in the space provided on the
2 effective date of change.

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4 **SECTION V: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY**
5 **COUNCIL** that as soon as the Charter Amendment hereby enacted shall become effective,
6 either as provided herein or following a referendum, the Mayor shall send to the Maryland
7 Department of Legislative Services a copy of this Resolution showing the number of
8 Aldermen and Alderwomen voting for and against it and a report on the votes cast for or
9 against the amendment hereby enacted at any referendum thereon and the date of such
10 referendum.

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12 The above Charter Amendment was enacted by the foregoing Resolution which was passed
13 at a meeting of the Annapolis City Council on _____, 2019; _____
14 voting in the affirmative, ___ voting in the negative, _____ abstaining and _____ absent
15 and the said Resolution becomes effective in accordance with law on the _____ day of
16 _____, 2019.

17 18 19 **EXPLANATION**

20 Underlining indicates matter added to existing law.

21 [~~Strikethrough~~] indicates matter stricken from existing law.

22 Double Underlining indicates amendments.