A CHARTER RESOLUTION TO AMEND ARTICLE IX, “PERSONNEL,” SECTION 902, “CLERK OF THE COUNCIL” FOR THE PURPOSE OF CLARIFYING THE ROLE OF ANY DEPUTY CLERK TO THE COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the City of Glenarden (hereinafter, “the City”) is a municipal corporation of the State of Maryland, operating under Article XI-E of the Constitution of Maryland and §4-301 et seq. of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland as amended; and

WHEREAS, the City, pursuant to Article XI-E of the Constitution of Maryland, at § 3, is empowered to amend the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the City, pursuant to Article IX, “Personnel,” at Section 901 “Authority to employ personnel,” is empowered to” employ such officers and employees as it deems necessary to execute the powers and duties provided by this Charter or other state law and to operate the City government[,]” and

WHEREAS, the Council, pursuant to Article VI, “General Powers of the Council,” at Section 602, “Enumeration of Specific Powers,” at Sub-Section (a)(17), “Departments,” is empowered “[t]o create, change, and abolish, offices, departments, or agencies, other than the offices, departments and agencies established by this Charter; to assign additional functions or duties to offices, departments or agencies established by this Charter, but not including the power to discontinue or assign to any other office, department, or agency any function or duty assigned by this Charter to a particular office, department, or agency[,]” and,

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the Council that the City’s residents will be better served by employing an individual to serve in the role of Deputy Clerk to the Council for the purpose of fulfilling the duties assigned in the Deputy Clerk Position Description attached hereto as Exhibit A, which position will be an addition to the Council’s Office and require working a
minimum of 20 hours a week as provided in the City’s budget and the Position Description, and who shall, while on duty, work in the same office and at the same time as the Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED that Section 902, Clerk to the Council, of the Charter of the City of Glenarden be and it is hereby amended to read as follows:

There shall be a Clerk to the Council who shall be appointed by the President of the Council with the approval of a majority of the Council and who shall serve at the pleasure of the Council. The Clerk shall attend every meeting of the Council and keep a full and accurate account of the proceedings of the Council. The Clerk shall keep such other records and perform such other duties as may be required by this Charter or the Council. There may also be a Deputy Clerk to the Council who shall be appointed by the President of the Council with the approval of a majority of the Council and who shall serve at the pleasure of the Council. [The Deputy Clerk to the Council shall perform the duties of the Clerk in the absence of the Clerk to the Council.]

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the City Council of Glenarden, Maryland that the amendment to the Charter of the City of Glenarden, hereby proposed by this enactment, adopted this ___ ___ day of ___, 2020, shall be and become effective upon the fiftieth (50th) day after its passage by the City unless petitioned to referendum in accordance with §4-301 et seq. of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland within forty (40) days following its passage. A complete and exact copy of this Charter Resolution shall be posted in the City offices located at 8600 Glenarden Parkway, Glenarden, Maryland for forty (40) days following its passage by the Mayor and Council and a fair summary of the Charter Resolution shall be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the City not less than four (4) times, at weekly intervals, also within the forty (40) day period following its adoption by the City.

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Date Approved: ______________

ATTEST:

M. Toni Taylor, Council Clerk
Clerk to the Council

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James Herring, Councilmember

Carolyn Smallwood, Councilmember

Donjuan Williams, Councilmember

Votes:
Yes_______
No_______
Abstain_____