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**City of Glenarden
Maryland
2021 Legislation**

Charter Resolution: CR-04-2021
Sponsor: Angela D. Ferguson, Council Vice President
Co-Sponsor: Deborah A. Eason, Councilwoman
Public Hearing: January 19, 2021
Session: Regular Session
Date of Introduction: February 8, 2021

Charter Resolution

**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

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1 minimum of 20 hours a week as provided in the City's budget and the Position Description,
2 and who shall, while on duty, work in the same office and at the same time as the Clerk.

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

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8 There shall be a Clerk to the Council who shall be appointed by the
9 President of the Council with the approval of a majority of the Council
10 and who shall serve at the pleasure of the Council. The Clerk shall attend
11 every meeting of the Council and keep a full and accurate account of the
12 proceedings of the Council. The Clerk shall keep such other records and
13 perform such other duties as may be required by this Charter or the
14 Council. There may also be a Deputy Clerk to the Council who shall be
15 appointed by the President of the Council with the approval of a majority
16 of the Council and who shall serve at the pleasure of the Council. [The
17 ~~Deputy Clerk to the Council shall perform the duties of the Clerk in the~~
18 ~~absence of the Clerk to the Council.~~]

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21 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, by the City Council of
22 Glenarden, Maryland that the amendment to the Charter of the City of Glenarden, hereby
23 proposed by this enactment, adopted this 8th day of February, 2021, shall be and become
24 effective upon the fiftieth (50th) day after its passage by the City unless petitioned to
25 referendum in accordance with §4-301 *et seq.* of the Local Government Article of the
26 Annotated Code of Maryland within forty (40) days following its passage. A complete and
27 exact copy of this Charter Resolution shall be posted in the City offices located at 8600
28 Glenarden Parkway, Glenarden, Maryland for forty (40) days following its passage by the
29 Mayor and Council and a fair summary of the Charter Resolution shall be published in a
30 newspaper having general circulation in the City not less than four (4) times, at weekly
31 intervals, also within the forty (40) day period following its adoption by the City.

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Date Approved: February 9, 2020

ATTEST:

M. Toni Taylor
M. Toni Taylor, Council Clerk
Clerk to the Council

City Council of Glenarden

Robin Jones
Robin Jones, Council President

Angela D. Ferguson
Angela D. Ferguson, Council Vice-President

Deborah A. Eason
Deborah A. Eason, Councilmember

-NO-
James Herring, Councilmember

-NO-
Carolyn Smallwood, Councilmember

Donjuan Williams
Donjuan Williams, Councilmember

- Abstain -
Celestine E. Wilson, Councilmember

Votes:
Yes -4-
No -2-
Abstain -1-

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