RESOLUTION NO. 18-106

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF QUEENSTOWN TO AMEND SECTION 19-21 OF THE QUEENSTOWN CHARTER TO ADD A NEW SECTION 19-21.2 TITLED "CANCELLATION OF ELECTION WHERE SEAT IS UNCONTESTED" TO AUTHORIZE THE QUEENSTOWN CLERK-TREASURER TO CANCEL THE ELECTION WHERE THE SEAT IS UNCONTESTED

WHEREAS, Md. Code Ann. Local Gov't Article § 4-304 confers upon the Commissioners of Queenstown the authority to initiate proposed amendments to the Charter for the Town of Queenstown: and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Queenstown have determined that it is desirable and in the public interest to amend Section 19 of the Charter for the Town of Queenstown to add a Section to address the scenario where an election results in a tie among candidates running for the office of Commissioner.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Queenstown as follows:

Section 1: The Queenstown Town Charter is hereby amended to include a new Section 19-21.2 as follows:

Section 19-21.2. Cancellation of Election Where Seat is Uncontested

In the event that the seat for Commissioner is uncontested and the time period for filing a certificate of nomination has expired to file as either an official candidate or as a write-in candidate, then the Town Clerk-Treasurer may cancel the election. If the election is canceled, the candidate running for the uncontested seat shall be declared elected and shall be sworn in as Commissioner.

- **Section 2:** This Resolution shall be posted and published in accordance with the requirements set forth in Md. Code Ann. Local Government Article § 4-304.
- **Section 3:** The Commissioners shall hold a public hearing on this Resolution on August 22, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
- Section 4: This Resolution shall become effective 50 days after final enactment unless a petition for referendum has been filed prior thereto in accordance with Section 4-304 of the Local Government Article of the Code of Maryland. This Resolution shall be deemed "finally enacted"

on the date on which the Commissioners of Queenstown indicate their approval of this Resolution by affixing their signatures hereto.

Section 5: As soon as this Resolution becomes effective, the Town Clerk shall cause to be delivered to the Department of Legislative Reference all the information regarding the Charter Amendment, this Resolution, and any referendum held thereon as may be required by the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this 22018.

WITNESS:	TOWN COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWN OF QUEENSTOWN:
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Amy Moore, Town Clerk	Alton Hardee, Jr. Commissioner

Language stricken indicates language deleted from the Charter for the Town of Queenstown Language in *bold and italicized* indicates language added to the Charter for the Town of Queenstown

Introduced:

July 25, 2018

Public Hearing: Adopted:

August 22, 2018

Effective Date:

10/7/18