RESOLUTION NO. 18-107

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF QUEENSTOWN TO AMEND SECTION 19-21 OF THE QUEENSTOWN CHARTER TO INCREASE THE TIME THE VOTING POLLS ARE OPEN

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 19-21 of the Charter for the Town of Queenstown to allow the voting polls to remain open for a longer period of time.

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

Section 1: The Queenstown Town Charter, Section 19-19 is hereby amended as follows:

Section 19-21. Conduct of Elections

It shall be the duty of the Clerk-Treasurer to provide for each special and general election a suitable place or places for voting and suitable ballot boxes and ballots and/or voting machines and provide for the casting of absentee ballots. The ballots and/or voting machines shall show the name of each candidate nominated for elective office in accordance with the provisions of this charter, arranged in alphabetical order by office with no party designation of any kind. The Clerk-Treasurer shall keep the polls open from 6.3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., on election days or for longer hours if the Commission requires it.

- **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 4: 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 day of August, 2018.

WITNESS:

TOWN COMMISSIONERS FOR THE

TOWN OF QUEENSTOWN:

Amy Moore, Town Clerk

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Thomas B. Willis, Jr., President

Holger Schuster, Commissioner

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:

August 22, 2018

Adopted:

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Effective Date:

10/07/18