RESOLUTION NO: 2021-05

Resolution of the Town of Betterton
For Purposes of Amending the Town Charter
To Provide for the Cancellation of an Election for which any seats are uncontested.

WHEREAS, the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland
authorizes Mayor and Council from time to time, to amend, supplement or change, by resolution, its charter;

WHEREAS, given the cost of conduction an election and the time commitment required
of town staff and volunteers, it is in the best interest of the Town to amend its Charter so that an
election will not be required if the number of duly qualified candidates for an office is equal to or
less than the number of vacancies; and

WHEREAS, a Public hearing having been held at least 21 days’ advance notice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY resolved this 25th day of
January 2022, by the Mayor and Council, a new Section 401 (f) of the Charter of the
Town of Betterton shall be amended to read as set forth below. It is further resolved that a fair
summary of the Resolution shall be published four (4) times at weekly intervals in a newspaper
of general circulation within a period of forty (40) days following the adoption of this resolution.
It is further resolved that a copy of the Resolution shall be posted at the Town Hall for a period
of forty (40) days following the adoption of this resolution and made available for public
inspection.

“Section 401. Elections

(f) Cancellation of Elections: If, on the day immediately following the deadline for
filing certificates of candidacy in accordance with Section 401(d) of this Charter, the
number of duly qualified candidates for the office is equal to or less than the number of
vacancies for such office, then no election shall be held for such office on the first Saturday
in October, and all such candidates shall assume the office on the Second Tuesday of November following the election."

*Wording in brackets is to be stricken, and wording in bold is to be added.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BETTERTON, MARYLAND

Sheila Dlugoborski, Clerk

Donald E. Sutton, Mayor

William J. Fracassi, Jr., Councilmember

Wayne T. Gilchrist, Councilmember

Harry S. Marcy, Councilmember

Robert E. Pyfer, Councilmember

Approved as to Form:

Thomas N. Yeager,
Attorney for the Town of Betterton