- (I) That, upon the closing of the polls, said Board of Election Supervisors shall count the votes and publicly announce the result of such election.
- That, within one (1) week after publicly announcing the result of such election, said Board of Election Supervisors shall make a certificate, to be sworn to by each member of said Board before a Justice of the Peace, or other officer or person, (including a Notary Public), authorized to administer oaths in Prince George's County. stating the result of such election, and the number of votes cast for, and the number of votes cast against, incorporation. One such certificate, or a certified copy thereof, shall be filed by said Board of Election Supervisors with the Secretary of the State of Maryland, and another such certificate, or a certified copy thereof, shall be filed by said Board among the records of said town, (in the event that this Charter is adopted). Failure on the part of said Board of Election Supervisors to make or file such certificate shall in no wise affect the validity of such election.
- (K) That if in such election a greater number of persons shall vote "FOR INCORPORATION" than shall vote "AGAINST INCORPORATION," this Charter shall become immediately effective and operative.

SEC. 12. And be it further enacted:

- (A) That immediately upon this Charter becoming effective, as provided in Section 11 of this Act, Messrs. Gurney I. Hightower, Thaddeus C. Berry and Newton B. Mantz shall constitute and be the District Heights Commission until their successors shall have been chosen as provided in Section 10 of this Act, and shall have qualified as provided in Paragraph J of Section 3 of this Act.
- (B) That, within ten (10) days, (including Sundays and Holidays), after this Charter becomes effective, as provided in Section 11 of this Act, each of the three Commissioners named in Paragraph A of this Section shall qualify as such Commissioners by taking the oath of office of Commissioner, as provided in Paragraph J of Section 3 of this Act.
- (C) That if any person named as Commissioner in Paragraph A of this Section shall fail to qualify as provided in Paragraph B of this Section, or in case a vacancy in the office of Commissioner shall exist or occur as a result of death, resignation or otherwise, the remaining