Resolution No. 9-69

Charter Amendment No. 18, February 24, 1969

Resolution to amend Section 48-7, (a) - Registration; Transfer of Records; Appeal Charter of the City of Rockville. To provide for striking names of voters from registration lists after failure to vote in two successive elections.

A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of Rockville, Maryland, to amend Section 48-7. (a) of the Charter of the City of Rockville,

Whereas, pursuant to Sections 11 to 18, inclusive, of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, as amended), The Mayor and Council of Rockville has authority to amend its said Charter in the particulars hereinafter set forth; and

Whereas, this Resolution is adopted to conform with the procedure for the amendment of charters of municipal corporations prescribed in Section 11 to 18, inclusive, of Article 23A;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND,

Section 1. That Section 48-7. (a) of the Charter of the City of Rockville be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments to read as follows:

"Section 48-7. (a). Registration; Transfer of Records; Appeal.

(a) Qualified citizens may register at the established administrative offices of the city on any day in which those offices are open for official business and at such additional times and places as may be designated by the board of supervisors of elections, subject to the exception that no person may register or transfer within thirty days preceding or ten days following any general or special election. The board shall appoint as registrar one of the classified employees of the city from an office designated by the city manager. Said registrar shall have all the powers and duties, including that of administering oaths, to properly register any qualified citizen. Registration shall be permanent, and no person shall be entitled to vote in city elections unless he is registered. It shall be the duty of the board of supervisors of elections to keep the registration lists up to date by striking from the lists the names of persons known to have died or to have moved out of the city, or who shall have failed to vote in three two successive general elections. The council shall, by ordinance, adopt and enforce such provisions as may be necessary to establish and maintain a system of permanent registration. Registration lists shall be available for inspection by the public under such rules as the council may determine."

Section 2. That the date of passage of this Resolution is February 24, 1969, and the amendment of the Charter of the City of Rockville, hereby enacted shall become effective on April 15, 1969, unless a proper Petition for Referendum hereon shall be filed as provided by Section 13 of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume) and provided a complete and exact copy of this Resolution shall be continually posted on the bulletin board of the Office of the Mayor and Council, 111 South Perry Street, Rockville, Maryland, until April 5, 1969, and provided further that a full summary of the proposed amendment shall be published in the Montgomery County Sentinel, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Rockville, not less than four times at weekly intervals prior to April 5, 1969.