

*first day of July in the year for which they are levied and shall be overdue and in arrears three months thereafter. They shall bear interest while in arrears at the rate of one percent (1%) for each month or fraction thereof until paid. The Mayor and Common Council shall also have the authority to levy a half-year tax on new construction, which tax shall be due and payable on the first day of January in the year for which such tax is levied and shall be overdue and in arrears three months thereafter and shall bear the same rate of interest while overdue and in arrears as provided for taxes due and payable on the first day of July. All such taxes overdue and in arrears for a period of one year may be sold by tax sale as provided in this article or as provided by the Public General Laws of the State of Maryland.*

*Section 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Charter Amendment shall become and be considered a part of the Municipal Charter, in all respects to be effective and observed as such, upon the fiftieth day after the date of adoption, unless on or before the fortieth day thereafter there shall be presented to the Mayor and Council of the City of Westminster, or mailed to it, a petition for referendum in accordance with the provisions of Section 13 (g) of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland.*

*Section 3. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a complete and exact copy of this Resolution shall be posted in the City Hall of the City of Westminster or some public place for a period of at least forty days following its adoption and further that this Resolution shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Westminster for not less than four times, at weekly intervals, within a period of forty days after the adoption of this Resolution.*

*Section 4. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as soon as the Charter Amendment hereby adopted shall become effective the Mayor of the City of Westminster shall send separately by registered mail to the Secretary of the State of Maryland and to the Department of Legislative Reference the following information concerning the Charter Amendment: (1) A complete copy of their Resolution; (2) the date of the referendum election, if any, held with respect thereto; (3) the number of votes cast for or against the Resolution whether by the Common Council of Westminster or in a referendum; and (4) the effective date of the Charter Amendment.*

*Section 5. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor of Westminster be and he is specifically enjoined and instructed to carry out the provisions of Sections 3 and 4 hereof and as evidence of compliance herewith the Mayor shall cause to be affixed to the minutes of the meeting in which this Charter Amendment shall have been adopted, (1) appropriate certification of publication of the newspaper in which this Resolution shall have been published, and (2) the return receipts of the mailing referred to in Section 4, and shall further complete and execute the Certificate of Effect attached hereto.*

INTRODUCED this 13th day of September, 1971.

George R. Zinn, Clerk

PASSED THIS 13th day of September, 1971.

George R. Zinn, Clerk

APPROVED this 13th day of September, 1971.

Joseph H. Hahn, Jr., Mayor