

MUNICIPAL CHARTERS

Assembly, subsequently codified as Section 47 of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland, require the right to vote by Absentee Ballot in municipal elections; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council wishes to implement the mandates of said Chapter 816 and, in addition, to make provision for the filing and withdrawal of statements of candidacy as required by Section 10 of the Charter of the City of Cumberland.

NOW, THEREFORE:

SECTION 1: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF CUMBERLAND, That the following, to be designated subsection (h), be and is hereby added to Section 10 of the Charter of the City of Cumberland:

"(H) THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR ALL ELECTIONS AUTHORIZED HEREIN AND SHALL, BY ORDINANCE, ESTABLISH SUCH PROCEDURES AS MAY BE REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT THE SAME."

SECTION 2: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That subsections (a), (b) and (c) of Section 10 of said Charter be repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

"(a) Candidates to be voted for at all general municipal elections at which a mayor and city councilmen are to be elected, under the provisions of this article, shall be nominated by a primary election, and no other name shall be placed on the general ballot except those selected in the manner hereinafter prescribed. The primary election for such nomination shall be held on the second Tuesday preceding the general election. The judges appointed for the general municipal election shall be the judges of the primary election, and the polls shall be opened and closed at the same hours and with the same clerks as are required for the general municipal election. Any person desiring to become a candidate for mayor or city council shall, at least twenty days prior to said primary election, file IN PERSON [or there shall be filed for him] with the city clerk a statement of such candidacy in substantially the following form: