

MUNICIPAL CHARTERS

"Home Rule", entitled "A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF CUMBERLAND (1966 EDITION, AS AMENDED) BEING ARTICLE 1A OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF MARYLAND, BY REPEALING AND REENACTING, WITH AMENDMENTS, SECTION 162 OF SAID CHARTER, AND ADDING SUBSECTION (d) TO SECTION 162B."

NOW, THEREFORE:

SECTION 1: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF CUMBERLAND, That Section 162 of the Charter of the City of Cumberland (1966 Edition, as amended) be and is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

"Sec. 162. Any person shall be eligible to register as a voter in municipal elections who is a citizen of the United States, a resident of the City [for at least six months] and at least eighteen years of age at the time of the next municipal election."

SECTION 2: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the following, to be designated subsection (d), be and is hereby added to Section 162B of the Charter of the City of Cumberland:

"(D) ANY PERSON QUALIFIED TO VOTE SHALL BE PERMITTED TO REGISTER AND REREGISTER BY CASTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT. WHEN PROPERLY REGISTERED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, A PERSON SHALL CONTINUE AS A REGISTERED VOTER TO THE SAME EXTENT AND FOR THE SAME PERIOD THAT HE WOULD BE REGISTERED HAD HE APPEARED IN PERSON AND BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHARTER."

SECTION 3: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the date of the passage of this Resolution is February 26, 1974, and the amendments to the Charter of the City of Cumberland, hereby enacted, shall become effective on April 17, 1974, unless a proper Petition for a Referendum hereon shall be filed as provided by Section 13 of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland. A complete and exact copy of this Resolution shall be continuously posted on the North Centre Street entrance of the City Hall, Cumberland, Maryland, until April 7, 1974, and provided further that a fair summary of the proposed amendments shall be published in the Cumberland Evening Times, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cumberland, once in each of the weeks of March 4, 11, 18, 25; April 1, 1974.

SECTION 4: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That