

## RESOLUTION (CHARTER) NO. 1976-49

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL of Ocean City, Maryland to amend the TOWN CHARTER OF OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND to make residency a mandatory requirement and qualification for the right to vote in municipal elections, and repealing the provisions extending the voting privilege to non-resident property owners by amending Section 175 (Code Section C-403) "Qualifications of Voters".

WHEREAS on January 5, 1976 the Mayor and City Council of Ocean City, Maryland passed and adopted a Charter Amendment entitled in part "Resolution (Charter) No. 1976-3" which by its terms made residency a mandatory requirement for voter qualification in municipal elections; and

WHEREAS a case has been filed in the circuit court for Worcester County, Maryland by Ocean City Taxpayers for Equal Rights, Inc., Alice Vlach, Carlton H. Miller, Betty C. Miller, Robert H. Morris, Louise A. Roche, George F. Ledger, Buford B. Vogel, Jo Ann Vogel, Robert E. Warfield and David M. Sherline against the Mayor and City Council of Ocean City, Maryland, and others in which case, among other issues, the Complainants allege that the said "Resolution (Charter) No. 1976-3" was void because the subject of the said Charter Amendment was not sufficiently described in its title and because it contained more than one subject; and

WHEREAS the Mayor and City Council of Ocean City, Maryland while not agreeing as to the existence of any such deficiencies, is desirous of further clarifying and confirming that residency be a mandatory requirement for voter qualification.

[Section 175 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Worcester County, repealed and reenacted, with amendments.

Effective Date September 15, 1976]

## RESOLUTION (CHARTER) NO. 1976-50

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND to amend the Town Charter of Ocean City, Maryland to provide that any elected or appointed city officials in office as of the effective date of Charter Amendment 1976-49 shall not be required to vacate their office until the termination of their current term even if Resolution Charter Amendment 1976-49 would result in