

said officials becoming unqualified for appointment and to be a candidate and to vote, by adding a new paragraph (5) to Sub-Section A of Section 175 (Code Section C-403) "Qualification 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 contained a provision that no elected or appointed official shall be required to vacate his office during his then current term 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 those appointed and elected city officials now in office shall not because of the passage of Charter Amendment 1976-49 be required to vacate their office during their current terms.

[Section 403(a) (5) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Worcester County, added.

Effective Date September 15, 1976]

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RESOLUTION (CHARTER) NO. 1976-51

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND to amend the Town Charter of Ocean City, Maryland to provide a phase out period for existing non-resident registered voters who would otherwise become unqualified to vote in municipal elections solely because of the imposition of mandatory residency requirements enacted in "Resolution (Charter) No. 1976 - 49, by adding a new paragraph (6) to Sub-Section A of Section 175 (Code Section C-403) "Qualification 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)