MUNICIPAL CHARTERS

A DAY AT LEAST FOUR WEEKS PRIOR TO ELECTION DATE

THIS RESOLUTION of the Town Council of the Town of Somerset for a Charter Amendment is adopted pursuant to the authority of Article XI-E of the Maryland Constitution, Section 13 of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland and Section 83-91 of the Town Charter. This Charter Amendment amends Section 83-28 of the Charter of the Town of Somerset, governing the date for the nominations of candidates for the election of Mayor and/or Town Councilmembers. Specifically, this Charter Amendment changes the date of the Town meeting during which nominations are held from the first Monday in March to a date at least four weeks prior to the date of election, the specific date to be set each year by resolution of the Town Council.

[Section(s) 83-28 of the Charter of the Town of Somerset, Montgomery County, as found in the compilation of <u>Municipal Charters of Maryland (1983 Edition)</u>, repealed and reenacted, with amendments.

Effective Date December 22, 1987]

RESOLUTION

THIS RESOLUTION of the Town Council of the Town of Somerset is adopted pursuant to the requirements of Maryland law, Article 23A, Section 14. This resolution will set the date for the referendum election at which a proposed Charter Amendment changing the boundaries of the Town of Somerset will be submitted to the voters of the Town of Somerset.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, on August 25, 1987, the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Somerset received a citizen petition for a Charter Amendment (hereinafter, the "Petition"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Elections, acting at the request of the Town Council, has examined the signatures on said Petition and submitted a written report to the Council; the Council has verified that said Petition was duly signed by more then twenty percentum (20%) of the persons who are qualified to vote in municipal general elections in the Town of Somerset.

WHEREAS, Maryland state law requires a municipal corporation, upon receiving a petition for a Charter Amendment, "by resolution, passed as in its normal legislative procedure, and not later than 60 days after the petition shall have been presented to it, [to] specify the day and the hours for the election at which the question shall be submitted to the voters