
BY: Commissioners Bertino, Bunting, Abbott, Elder, Fiori, Mitrecic, and Purnell
INTRODUCED: December 5, 2023

AN EMERGENCY BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT Concerning

County Government – County Commissioners

For the purpose of establishing revised County Commissioner districts in response to the shifting population as identified by the 2020 Census Survey in accordance with the following goals: strive for an optimal population of 7,515 persons in each of the seven (7) districts with the lowest population deviation among the districts in order to pass muster under the one person, one vote requirement; retain a majority minority district; maintain current County Commissioner District boundaries to the extent feasible; and respect the boundaries of new State Legislative Districts 38A and 38C to the extent feasible.

Section 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND, that § CG 2-102 be repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

§ CG 2-102. County Commissioner districts.

- (a) County Commissioner Districts. For the purpose of selecting persons eligible as County Commissioners, the County shall be considered as divided into seven County Commissioner districts. One of the County Commissioners shall be a resident of each of the seven County Commissioner districts so that the Board of County Commissioners shall be composed always of a representative from each of the seven County Commissioner districts. County Commissioner districts are hereby established as follows¹:

¹ [Note: The descriptions of the Commissioner districts may reference census block numbers. The census block numbers referenced herein were supplied to the Worcester County Department of Development, Review & Permitting, Technical Services Division, by the U.S. Census Bureau as a Geographical Information System (GIS) data layer file containing 2020 census data.]

- (1) Southern District. The Southern district shall be designated as County Commissioner District Number One and shall be described as follows: Beginning at the most northerly point of District One at the county line between Wicomico County and Worcester County, thence southeasterly 4.83 miles along the centerline of MD Route 12 - Snow Hill Road, thence southerly along Census Blocks 240479514002041, 240479514002042, and 240479512002022, thence southeasterly 4.83 miles along MD Route 12 - Snow Hill Road to the mid line of the Pocomoke River at the Snow Hill bridge, thence southwesterly 11.65 miles generally along the mid line of the Pocomoke River following Census Blocks 240479512002047, 240479512002049, 240479513001001, 240479512002047 240479514002073, and 240479514002072 to Pilchard Creek, thence southeasterly along the centerline of Pilchard Creek to US Route 113 – Worcester

Highway, thence southwesterly 0.94 miles along the centerline of US 113 - Worcester Highway, thence southwesterly 0.68 miles along the centerline of Carter Road, thence westerly 0.32 miles along the centerline of MD 756 - Old Snow Hill Road, thence crossing US Route 13 – Ocean Highway to Linden Avenue, thence westerly 0.35 miles along the centerline of Linden Avenue, thence southwesterly 0.14 miles along the centerline of Third Street, thence southeasterly 0.05 miles along the centerline of MD Route 675 - Market Street, thence southwesterly 0.27 miles along the centerline of Fourth Street, thence southeasterly 0.07 miles along the centerline of Bonneville Avenue, thence northeasterly 0.05 miles along the centerline of Fifth Street, thence southeasterly 0.19 miles along the centerline of Young Street, thence northeasterly 0.15 miles along the centerline of Seventh Street, thence northwesterly 0.10 miles along the centerline of Walnut Street, thence northeasterly 0.10 miles along the centerline of Sixth Street, thence southeasterly 0.70 miles along the centerline of MD Route 675 - Market Street, thence northeasterly 0.08 miles along the centerline of Fourteenth Street, thence northwesterly 0.08 miles along the centerline of Dorchester Avenue, thence northeasterly 0.11 miles along the centerline of Somerset Avenue, thence southeasterly 0.08 miles along the centerline of Snow Hill Lane, thence northeasterly 0.02 miles along the centerline of Fourteenth Street, thence northeasterly-along Census Block 240479515002016, thence southeasterly 0.25 miles along the southbound lane of US 13 - Ocean Highway to the intersection of US Route 113 – Worcester Highway, thence northerly 0.05 miles along the centerline of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence northerly-along Census Block 240479515002027, thence northerly 0.08 miles along the centerline of Bypass Road, thence northwesterly 0.18 miles along the centerline of Taylor Lane, thence northerly along the perimeter of Census Block 240479515002006, thence northerly 0.01 miles along the centerline of Bypass Road, thence southeasterly along Census Block 240479515002005, thence southwesterly 0.03 miles along the centerline of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence southeasterly 0.02 miles through US Route 113 - Worcester Highway at the intersection with Newtown Park Road, thence northeasterly 0.24 miles along the centerline of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence southeasterly 0.18 miles along the centerline of Groton Road, thence northerly along Census Blocks 240479514003024 and 240479514003020 (Adkins Farm Lane), thence easterly 0.18 miles along the centerline of Byrd Road, thence northerly along Census Blocks 240479514003015 and 240479514003011 (electric transmission line right-of-way) to the centerline of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence northeasterly 10.0 miles along the centerline of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence easterly 1.26 miles along the centerline of MD Route 365 - Public Landing Road, thence southerly along Census Blocks 240479512003013 (Harmony Lane) and 240479512003034 to MD Route 365 - Public Landing Road, thence westerly 0.30 miles along the centerline of MD Route 365 - Public Landing Road, thence northwesterly 0.27 miles along the centerline of Double Bridges Road, thence northeasterly 0.06 miles along the centerline of Scotland Road, thence northerly 0.73 miles along the centerline of Double Bridges Road, thence westerly along Census Block 240479512003001

(Campground Branch), thence northwesterly 0.22 miles along the centerline of Timmons Road, thence northeasterly 3.99 miles along the centerline of the Maryland and Delaware Railroad right-of-way, thence southeasterly along Census Block 240479512001052 to Basket Switch Road, thence southerly 1.29 miles along the centerline of Basket Switch Road, thence easterly along Census Blocks 240479512001060 (Waterworks Creek) and 240479512001063 to the Chincoteague Bay, thence southwesterly along Census Blocks 240479512001063, 240479512001077, 240479512001075, 240479512001079, 240479512003020, 240479512003019, 240479512003022, 240479512003019, 240479512003021, 240479512003019, 240479512003024, 240479512003038, 240479512003093, 240479512003094, 240479512003100, 240479512003101, 240479512003109, 240479512003103, 240479512003108, 240479514001054, 240479514001055 and 240479514001060 (generally following the westerly shoreline of the Chincoteague Bay) to the state line between Maryland and Virginia, including named and unnamed islands in the bay, thence westerly following the state line between Maryland and Virginia and the county line between Worcester County, Maryland and Accomack County, Virginia to the county line between Worcester County and Somerset County at the mid line of the Pocomoke River, thence northeasterly following the mid line of the Pocomoke River to Dividing Creek, thence northerly following the centerline of Dividing Creek to the point where the Worcester County, Wicomico County, and Somerset County lines intersect, thence easterly following the county line between Worcester County and Wicomico County to the centerline of MD Route 12 - Snow Hill Road at the aforementioned point of beginning.

- (2) Central District. The Central district shall be designated as County Commissioner District Number Two and shall be described as follows: Beginning at the most northerly point of District Two at the intersection of Ocean Gateway and Seahawk Road, thence southerly 0.61 miles along the westerly boundary of Seahawk Road, thence southeasterly 0.10 miles along Mary Road, thence northeasterly along Census Blocks 240479509001005, 240479509001075, 240479509001005 240479509001002 and 240479509001010 (old railroad right-of-way) to Holly Grove Road, thence southeasterly 1.06 miles along the centerline of Holly Grove Road, thence easterly 0.59 miles along the centerline of Sinepuxent Road, thence southerly 0.28 miles along the centerline of Antique Road, thence southwesterly 1.73 miles along the centerline of MD Route 611 - Stephen Decatur Highway, thence northwesterly 0.70 miles along the centerline of MD Route 376 - Assateague Road, thence northeasterly along Census Blocks 240479517001065 and 240479517001063 following the easterly shoreline of Ayer Creek to Sinepuxent Road, thence westerly 2.08 miles along the centerline of Sinepuxent Road, thence westerly 0.01 miles along the centerline of MD Route 376 - Assateague Road, thence southwesterly along Census Block 240479510002034 (Trappe Creek), thence southeasterly along Census Blocks 240479510003022, 240479509001023, 240479509001071, and 240479509001067 following the southeasterly shoreline of Trappe Creek and Ayer Creek to Newport Bay, thence southeasterly along Census Blocks 240479509001067, 240479512001066,

240479512001065, and 240479512001029 following the westerly shoreline of Newport Bay to Waterworks Creek, thence westerly 1.17 miles along Waterworks Creek, thence northerly 1.29 miles along the centerline of Basket Switch Road, thence westerly along Census Block 240479512001051, thence southwesterly 3.99 miles along Maryland and Delaware Railroad right-of-way, thence southeasterly 0.22 miles along the centerline of Timmons Road, thence easterly along Census Blocks 240479512003003 and 240479512003010 (Campground Branch), thence southerly 0.73 miles along the centerline of Double Bridges Road, thence southwesterly 0.06 miles along the centerline of Scotland Road, thence southeasterly 0.27 miles along the centerline of Double Bridges Road, thence easterly 0.30 miles along the centerline of MD Route 365 - Public Landing Road, thence southwesterly along Census Blocks 240479512003015 (Purnell Branch) and 240479512003014, thence westerly 1.26 miles along the centerline of MD Route 365 - Public Landing Road, thence southwesterly 10.0 miles along the centerline of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence southerly along Census Blocks 240479514003012 (electric transmission line right-of-way), 240479514003016 (Pilchard Creek) and 240479514003017, thence westerly 0.18 miles along the centerline of Byrd Road, thence southerly along Census Block 240479514003019 (Adkins Farm Lane), thence northwesterly 0.18 miles along the centerline of Groton Road, thence southwesterly 0.24 miles along US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence northwesterly 0.02 miles through US Route 113 - Worcester Highway at the intersection with Newtown Park Road, thence northeasterly 0.03 miles along US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence northwesterly along Census Blocks 240479515002003, 240479515002002 and 240479515002007, thence southerly 0.08 miles along the centerline of Bypass Road, thence southerly along Census Block 240479515002007, thence southerly 0.05 miles along US Route 113 - Worcester Highway at the intersection with US Route 13 – Ocean Highway, thence northwesterly 0.25 miles along the southbound lane of US Route 13 - Ocean Highway, thence southwesterly along Census Block 240479515002009, thence southwesterly 0.02 miles along the centerline of Fourteenth Street, thence northwesterly 0.08 miles along the centerline of Snow Hill Lane, thence southwesterly 0.11 miles along the centerline of Somerset Avenue, thence southeasterly 0.08 miles along the centerline of Dorchester Avenue, thence southwesterly 0.08 miles along the centerline of Fourteenth Street, thence northwesterly 0.70 miles along the centerline of MD Route 675 - Market Street, thence southwesterly 0.10 miles along the centerline of Sixth Street, thence southeasterly 0.10 miles along the centerline of Walnut Street, thence southwesterly 0.15 miles along the centerline of Seventh Street, thence northwesterly 0.19 miles along the centerline of Young Street, thence southwesterly 0.05 miles along the centerline of Fifth Street, thence northwesterly 0.07 miles along the centerline of Bonneville Avenue, thence northeasterly 0.27 miles along the centerline of Fourth Street, thence northwesterly 0.05 miles along the centerline of MD Route 675 - Market Street, thence northeasterly 0.14 miles along the centerline of Third Street, thence easterly 0.39 miles along the centerline of Linden Avenue to US Route 13 – Ocean Highway, thence crossing US Route 13 – Ocean Highway to MD Route

756 – Old Snow Hill Road, thence easterly 0.32 miles along the centerline of MD Route 756 - Old Snow Hill Road, thence northeasterly 0.68 miles along the centerline of Carter Road to US Route 113 – Worcester Highway, thence northeasterly 0.94 miles along US Route 113 – Worcester Highway, thence northwesterly 0.21 miles along the centerline of Pilchard Creek in a northwesterly direction to the mid line of the Pocomoke River, thence northeasterly generally along the mid line of the Pocomoke River following Census Blocks 240479514003001, 240479514003000, 240479514001000, 240479512003059, 240479513001015, 240479512002048 and 40479513001000 to the Snow Hill bridge, thence southeasterly 0.01 miles along the centerline of MD Route 12 - Snow Hill Road, thence southeasterly 0.01 miles along the centerline of North Washington Street, thence southwesterly 0.14 miles along the centerline of River Street, thence southerly-along Census Block 240479513001002, thence westerly 0.01 miles along the centerline of Willow Street, thence southerly 0.07 miles along the centerline of North Church Street, thence southwesterly 0.06 miles along the centerline of Petitt Street, thence southeasterly 0.05 miles along the centerline of Water Street, thence southwesterly 0.11 miles along the centerline of Business Route 113 - West Market Street, thence southeasterly 0.13 miles along the centerline of North Morris Street, continuing 0.37 miles along the centerline of South Morris Street, thence northeasterly 0.14 miles along the centerline of Coulbourne Lane, thence southeasterly 0.28 miles along the centerline of MD Route 12 - South Church Street, thence northerly 0.30 miles along the centerline of the Maryland and Delaware Railroad right-of-way, thence northwesterly 0.40 miles along the centerline of South Washington Street, thence northeasterly 0.26 miles along the centerline of East Federal Street, thence easterly 0.17 miles along the centerline of MD Route 365 - South Bay Street, thence northeasterly 0.17 miles along the centerline of the Maryland and Delaware Railroad right-of-way, thence northeasterly 0.04 miles along the centerline of Holly Court, thence northeasterly 0.64 miles along the centerline of the Maryland and Delaware Railroad right-of-way to US Route 113 – Worcester Highway, thence northeasterly 6.04 miles along the centerline of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence southerly along Census Block 240479512001042, thence northeasterly 0.05 miles along the centerline of the Maryland and Delaware Railroad right-of-way, thence northeasterly 7.83 miles along the centerline of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence westerly 0.25 miles along the centerline of MD Route 376 - Bay Street, thence westerly 0.04 miles along the centerline of Pitts Street, thence northwesterly 0.12 miles along the centerline of Vine Street, thence running in a northerly direction along the perimeter of Census Block 240479510001022 to the intersection with Williams Street, thence northeasterly 0.34 miles along the centerline of Williams Street, thence easterly 0.27 miles along the centerline of Franklin Avenue, thence northerly 0.40 miles along the centerline of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence northeasterly 0.98 miles along MD Route 346 - Old Ocean City Boulevard, thence easterly 0.31 miles along US Route 50 - Ocean Gateway to the aforementioned point of beginning.

- (3) Sinepuxent District. The Sinepuxent district shall be designated as County

Commissioner District Number Three and shall be described as follows: Beginning at the most northerly point of District Three at the MD Route 90 - Ocean Expressway bridge crossing the Assawoman Bay and Isle of Wight Bay, thence southeasterly 0.78 miles along MD Route 90 - Ocean Expressway, thence southerly along the corporate limit line of Ocean City in the Isle of Wight Bay to the Ocean City Inlet, thence in an easterly direction out the Ocean City Inlet so far as the sovereignty of the County Commissioners of Worcester extends, thence in a general southerly direction in the Atlantic Ocean to an easterly projection of the Maryland and Virginia State line and the Worcester County, Maryland and Accomack County, Virginia line, thence extending in a westerly direction to the westerly shoreline of the Chincoteague Bay, thence northerly along the westerly shoreline of the Chincoteague Bay, Newport Bay, and its meanderings including named and unnamed islands in the bay, thence northwesterly 0.16 miles along the centerline of Trappe Creek, thence northeasterly along Census Block 240479509001018 to MD Route 376 - Assateague Road, thence easterly 0.01 miles along the centerline of MD Route 376 - Assateague Road, thence northeasterly 2.08 miles along the centerline of Sinepuxent Road, thence southeasterly along Census Block 240479509001015 (Ayer Creek), thence southwesterly along Ayer Creek following Census Block 240479517001064, thence southeasterly 0.70 miles along the centerline of MD Route 376 - Assateague Road, thence northeasterly 1.73 miles along the centerline of MD Route 611 - Stephen Decatur Highway, thence northerly 0.28 miles along the centerline of Antique Road, thence westerly 0.59 miles along the centerline of Sinepuxent Road, thence northwesterly 1.06 miles along the centerline of Holly Grove Road, thence westerly along Census Block 240479509001001 (former railroad right-of-way), thence northwesterly along the perimeter of Census Blocks 240479509001001 and 240479509001004 to Mary Road, thence northwesterly 0.10 miles along the centerline of Mary Road, thence northerly 0.63 miles along the centerline of Seahawk Road to the intersection of US Route 50 – Ocean Gateway, thence easterly 0.01 miles along US Route 50 - Ocean Gateway, thence northwesterly along Census Block 240479509002051, thence northwesterly 0.65 miles along the centerline of Griffin Road, thence northerly 0.32 miles along the centerline of MD Route 452 - Friendship Road, thence easterly along Taylorville Creek following Census Block 240479509002025 to MD Route 589 – Racetrack Road, thence easterly along the northerly shoreline of Turville Creek, thence northeasterly along the shoreline and extending into the Isle of Wight Bay following Census Blocks 240479504002000, 240479511013000 and 240479501001003 to MD Route 90 - Ocean Expressway at the aforementioned point of beginning.

- (4) Western District. The Western district shall be designated as County Commissioner District Number Four and shall be described as follows: Beginning at the most northerly point of District Four, at the state line between Maryland and Delaware, and the county line where Worcester County, Maryland, Wicomico County, Maryland and Sussex County, Delaware meet, thence easterly 5.87 miles to US Route 113 – Worcester Highway following the state line between Maryland

and Delaware and the county line of Worcester County, Maryland and Sussex County, Delaware, thence southerly 4.77 miles along the south bound lane of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence crossing US Route 113 – Worcester Highway to the north bound lane, thence southeasterly along Census Block 240479508002048, thence southerly 1.33 miles along the north bound lane of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence southeasterly 0.50 miles along the centerline of Carey Road, thence northeasterly 0.01 miles along the centerline of Worcester Highway, thence southeasterly 0.13 miles along centerline of Jones Road, thence easterly along Census Block 240479509002021, thence northeasterly 0.07 miles along the centerline of Cathell Road, thence easterly 0.14 miles along the centerline of Adkins Road, thence along Census Block 240479509002020 (Crippen Branch), thence southwesterly along Census Block 240479509002020 (Taylorville Creek) to MD Route 452 – Friendship Road, thence southerly 0.32 miles along the centerline of MD Route 452 - Friendship Road, thence easterly 0.65 miles along the centerline of Griffin Road, thence southwesterly 0.55 miles along the centerline of MD Route 707 - Grays Corner Road, thence southeasterly along Census Block 240479509002050 to US Route 50 – Ocean Gateway, thence westerly 0.01 miles along US Route 50 - Ocean Gateway, thence southerly along Census Block 240479510002000, thence westerly 0.31 miles along the south bound lane of US Route 50 - Ocean Gateway, thence westerly 0.98 miles along the centerline of MD Route 346 - Old Ocean City Boulevard, thence southerly 0.40 miles along the centerline of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence westerly 0.27 miles along the centerline of Franklin Avenue, thence southwesterly 0.34 miles along the centerline of Williams Street, thence southerly along Census Block 240479510001030 to Vine Street, thence southeasterly 0.12 miles along the centerline of Vine Street, thence easterly 0.04 miles along the centerline of Pitts Street, thence easterly 0.25 miles along MD Route 376 - Bay Street, thence southwesterly 7.83 miles along the centerline of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence southwesterly 0.05 miles along the centerline of the Maryland and Delaware Railroad right-of-way, thence northerly along Census Block 240479512001041, thence southwesterly 6.04 miles along the centerline of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence southwesterly 0.63 miles along the centerline of the Maryland and Delaware Railroad right-of-way, thence southerly along Census Block 240479513002005, thence southwesterly 0.04 miles along the centerline of Holly Court, thence southwesterly 0.17 miles along the centerline of the Maryland and Delaware railroad right-of-way, thence westerly 0.17 miles along the centerline of MD Route 365 - South Bay Street, thence southwesterly 0.26 miles along the centerline of East Federal Street, thence southeasterly 0.40 miles along the centerline of South Washington Street, thence southerly 0.30 miles along the centerline of the Maryland and Delaware Railroad right-of-way, thence northwesterly 0.28 miles along the centerline of MD Route 12 - South Church Street, thence southwesterly 0.14 miles along the centerline of Coulbourne Lane, thence northwesterly 0.37 miles along the centerline of South Morris Street, thence northwesterly 0.13 miles along the centerline of North Morris Street, thence northeasterly 0.11 miles along the centerline of Business Route 113 - West Market Street, thence northwesterly 0.05 miles along the

centerline of Water Street, thence northeasterly 0.06 miles along the centerline of Pettitt Street, thence northerly 0.07 miles along the centerline of North Church Street, thence easterly 0.009 miles along the centerline of Willow Street, thence northerly along Census Block 240479513001005, thence northeasterly 0.14 miles along the centerline of River Street, thence northwesterly 0.01 miles along the centerline of North Washington Street, thence northwesterly 4.86 miles along the centerline of MD Route 12 - Snow Hill Road, thence westerly along Census Blocks 240479512002019 (Mount Olive Branch) and 240479512002020 (Nassawango Creek), thence northwesterly 4.83 miles along MD Route 12 - Snow Hill Road, thence easterly along the county line between Wicomico County and Worcester County, thence northerly along the county line between Wicomico County and Worcester County, thence easterly along the state line between Maryland and Delaware, and the county line where Worcester County, Maryland, Wicomico County, Maryland and Sussex County, Delaware meet, to the aforementioned point of beginning.

- (5) Ocean Pines District. The Ocean Pines district shall be designated as County Commissioner District Number Five and shall be described as follows: Beginning at the most northerly point of District Five at the intersection of Ocean Parkway and Windjammer Road, thence southeasterly 2.47 miles along the centerline of Ocean Parkway, thence southerly along Census Block 240479511021011 to Manklin Creek, thence easterly along Census Blocks 240479511013005, 240479511013002, 240479511013007 240479511013009, 240479511013010, and 240479511013011 (Manklin Creek), and thence southerly along Census Blocks 240479511011000, 240479511011002, and 240479511011013 following the shoreline of the Isle of Wight Bay and Herring Creek, thence westerly along Census Blocks 240479511011002 and 240479511012000, thence northerly 1.43 miles along the centerline of MD Route 589 - Racetrack Road, thence easterly along Census Block 240479506002010 (Beaverdam Branch), thence northerly along Census Block 240479506002000 to Rockside Road, thence northeasterly 0.06 miles along the centerline of Rockside Road, thence northeasterly 0.30 miles along the centerline of Admiral Avenue, thence westerly 0.18 miles along the centerline of Seafarer Lane, thence northerly 0.23 miles along the centerline of Moby Dick Drive, thence easterly 0.30 miles along the centerline of Ocean Parkway, thence easterly 0.24 miles along the centerline of Sandyhook Road, thence northeasterly 0.48 miles along the centerline of Windjammer Road, thence northwesterly 0.05 miles along the centerline of Newport Drive, thence northerly 0.09 miles along the centerline of White Cap Lane, thence easterly 0.07 miles along the centerline of Frigate Run, thence northeasterly 0.05 miles along the centerline of Windjammer Road to the aforementioned point of beginning.

- (6) Northern District. The Northern district shall be designated as County Commissioner District Number Six and shall be described as follows: Beginning at the most northeasterly point of District Six at the state line between Maryland and Delaware, and the county line of Worcester County, Maryland and Sussex County, Delaware, thence southerly 4.61 miles along the corporate limit line of

Ocean City, thence westerly 0.78 miles along the centerline of MD Route 90 - Ocean City Expressway, thence southwesterly along Census Blocks 240479508004080 (Isle of Wight Bay), 240479511022009 (Isle of Wight Bay), and 24047951102210 (Manklin Creek), thence along the unnamed man-made canal between Watertown Road and Wood Duck Drive, thence northerly along Census Block 240479511022002, thence northwesterly 2.47 miles along the centerline of Ocean Parkway, thence southwesterly 0.05 miles along the centerline of Windjammer Road, thence westerly 0.07 miles along the centerline of Frigate Run, thence southerly 0.09 miles along the centerline of White Cap Lane, thence southeasterly 0.05 miles along the centerline of Newport Drive, thence southwesterly 0.48 miles along the centerline of Windjammer Road, thence westerly 0.24 miles along the centerline of Sandyhook Road, thence westerly 0.30 miles along the centerline of Ocean Parkway, thence southerly 0.23 miles along the centerline of Moby Dick Drive, thence easterly 0.18 miles along the centerline of Seafarer Lane, thence southwesterly 0.30 miles along the centerline of Admiral Avenue, thence southwesterly 0.06 miles along the centerline of Rockside Road, thence southerly along Census Block 240479506002007, thence westerly along Census Block 240479506002007 (Beaverdam Branch), thence southerly 1.43 miles along the centerline of MD Route 589 - Racetrack Road, thence southeasterly along Census Blocks 240479511011015, 240479511011016, 240479511011008 and 240479511011009, thence northwesterly 0.2 miles along the northerly shoreline of Turville Creek, thence westerly along Census Block 240479509002015 (Taylorville Creek), thence northerly along Census Block 240479509002015 (Crippen Branch), thence westerly 0.14 miles along the centerline of Adkins Road, thence southwesterly 0.07 miles along the centerline of Cathell Road, thence westerly along Census Block 240479509002013 to Jones Road, thence northwesterly 0.13 miles along the centerline of Jones Road, thence southwesterly 0.01 miles along the centerline of Worcester Highway, thence northwesterly 0.50 miles along the centerline of Carey Road, thence northerly 1.33 miles along the north bound lane of US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence northwesterly along Census Block 240479509002005 crossing US Route 113 – Worcester Highway to the south bound lane, thence northerly 4.77 miles along US Route 113 - Worcester Highway, thence easterly 8.38 miles along the state line between Maryland and Delaware, and the county line of Worcester County, Maryland and Sussex County, Delaware to the aforementioned point of beginning.

- (7) Ocean City District. The Ocean City district shall be designated as County Commissioner District Number Seven and shall be described as follows: Beginning at the most northeasterly point in District Seven, thence southwesterly 10.49 miles along Census Blocks 240479900000001 (Atlantic Ocean) and 240479900000002 (Atlantic Ocean), thence westerly 3.55 miles along Census Blocks 240479900000002 (Ocean City Inlet), thence northerly along the Ocean City corporate limit line (Isle of Wight Bay and Assawoman Bay), thence easterly 5.0 miles along the state line between Maryland and Delaware, and the county line of Worcester County, Maryland and Sussex County, Delaware to the

aforementioned point of beginning.

- (b) County Commissioner district maps. The maps and census block tables attached hereto are made a part of this section and shall be included in the Code of Public Local Laws of Worcester County, Maryland as Appendix II. They shall be used as guides in interpreting district boundaries.
- (c) Conflicts between text and maps. The County Commissioner district boundary lines shall be interpreted by the Board of Election Supervisors in accordance with the text of the law using the maps and census block tables to aid in such interpretation. The boundary lines as described in the text shall govern in the event of any and all otherwise unresolvable inconsistencies. The Board of Election Supervisors in making interpretations shall be provided by the County Commissioners with such census data, paper and electronic, as may be reasonably necessary to determine all district boundary lines. In addition, aerial photographs, other maps and data may be used. Where roads, waterways and other features have varying names, the Board of Election Supervisors shall interpret this section in accordance with the best evidence and the legislative findings hereof.


Section 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND that the maps associated with Appendix II of the Code of Public Local Laws of Worcester County be repealed and replaced with the maps and census block tables attached hereto.

Section 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND, that this Bill, having been declared an Emergency Bill, shall take effect immediately upon its passage.


Passed and Adopted this 19th day of December, 2023.

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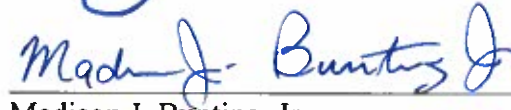
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