

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**

**1997 Legislative Session**

Resolution No. CR-44-1997

Proposed by Council Member Bailey

Introduced by Council Members Bailey, Wilson and Maloney

Co-Sponsors

Date of Introduction July 8, 1997

**RESOLUTION**

A RESOLUTION concerning

Special Election to Fill a Council Vacancy

For the purpose of directing that a special election be held to fill a vacancy on the County Council and to establish the dates for conducting the special election and the deadline for the nomination process.

WHEREAS, Section 2-104 of the County Code provides that when there is a vacancy in the office of a Council Member which occurs more than ninety days prior to the primary or general election, the Council shall, within ten (10) days after such vacancy occurs, adopt a Resolution directing that a special election by the registered voters of the Council District concerned be held to fill the vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Anne T. MacKinnon, formerly representing the Third Council District, has resigned from office effective July 1, 1997, thereby creating a vacancy in the office; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution directing that a special election by the registered voters of the Third Council District be held to fill the vacancy shall specify:

- (1) The date for the special election;
- (2) The date by which a declaration of intent to seek nomination by petition must be filed with the Board of Supervisors of Elections; and
- (3) The date by which nomination petitions must be filed with the Board of Supervisors of Elections; and

WHEREAS, the date of the special election shall be any Tuesday which is at least sixty

(60) calendar days, but not more than ninety (90) calendar days, following the occurrence of the vacancy; and

WHEREAS, polling places shall be open between the hours of 7 A.M. and 8 P.M.; and

WHEREAS, the Council has consulted with the Board of Supervisors of Elections before adopting the Resolution directing that a special election be held to fill the vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the County shall provide funding to cover the costs for the special election incurred by the Board of Supervisors of Elections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that:

(1) The date for the special election shall be Tuesday, September 16, 1997;

(2) The date by which a declaration of intent to seek nomination by petition must be filed with the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall be Tuesday, August 19, 1997; and

(3) The date by which nomination petitions must be filed with the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall be Tuesday, August 26, 1997.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall identify the costs incurred to conduct the special election and shall submit a request for a supplemental budget appropriation to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget within sixty days after the special election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that within seven calendar days after the adoption of this Resolution, the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall publish once in at least one newspaper of general circulation a notice that a vacancy has occurred, that a special election will be held on the date specified to fill the vacancy, and the procedures to be followed by persons desiring to be nominated to fill the vacancy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution will become effective on July 10, 1997.

Adopted this 8th day of July, 1997.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY:

Dorothy F. Bailey  
Chair

ATTEST:

Joyce T. Sweeney  
Clerk of the Council