Letter: Proposed Recall Measure Does Not Include Assembly of Delegates

From County Commissioner Ron Beaty

Speaking as one individual County Commissioner, I believe that the proposed county recall measure is without question politically motivated.

A couple of observations are also noteworthy.

Despite the fact the Assembly of Delegates is supposed to be non-partisan, it is in fact presently dominated by Democrats. All five sponsors of the proposed ordinance are liberal Democrats, and I am a conservative Republican.
It is also noteworthy that the sections of the proposed measure which would have included the County legislature (Assembly of Delegates) in the proposed recall process have now been crossed out, only leaving county commissioners that can be politically targeted for harassment for essentially any reason, or no legitimate reason at all.

Moreover, it is also notable that the original county Charter in 1888 did contain a recall provision, but was it removed by the legislature at that time for some unexplained reason.

Additionally, five years ago, as a citizen activist I myself attempted to have the recall provision reinstated through both the Assembly of Delegates, and by having State Rep. Randy Hunt file relevant legislation, but the County Assembly wanted no part of it at that time (Ronald Bergstrom was Speaker).

I find it ironic that now that I am an elected county commissioner, some of these same individuals all of a sudden want to be able to undo the will of the Cape Cod electorate at their whim because they do not like the politics presently involved regarding me personally.

In the end, the sponsors of this proposed recall measure are jealous, outrageously liberal petty politicians who are afraid of their own shadows!

If the measure moves forward, I predict that in the end, it and its sponsors, will fail miserably.

I look forward to the coming political battles with enthusiastic anticipation.

There is an old saying that politics is a blood sport...indeed it certainly can be. Yes, indeed.

Thanks.

Best regards,

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