Whereas, the Barnstable County Home Rule Charter contains a provision creating the position of Deputy Speaker in Article 2, Section 2-2 (c);

Whereas, the Barnstable County Charter defines the duties of the “Deputy Speaker” as follows:

The deputy speaker shall serve as speaker during the absence or disability of the speaker and shall have such other powers, duties and responsibilities as may be provided by this charter, by ordinance or by other vote of the assembly of delegates;

Whereas, the provisions of the Charter establish that the Assembly of Delegates requires the position of Deputy Speaker;

Whereas, there are circumstances in which the Deputy Speaker might be absent from the proceedings of the Assembly of Delegates;

Whereas, the members of the Assembly of Delegates are authorized by the Charter under Section 2-8 (b) to adopt a Resolution for "...the adoption of rules governing the conduct of its own business" and Section 2-8 (b) (iii) for "...the election,..... of such officers ..as the assembly of delegates is permitted by this Charter." (Section 2-8 (b)(vi)).

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Assembly of Delegates, pursuant to Section 2-8 (b) of the Barnstable County Home Rule Charter, hereby resolves as follows:

In the absence of the Deputy Speaker, the Speaker of the Assembly of Delegates shall be authorized to appoint a Member of the Assembly of Delegates as the Interim Deputy Speaker of the Assembly of Delegates.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates, by a roll call vote of 95.50% voting “yes”, 4.50% “absent” at the regular meeting held on October 18, 2017.

Attested by:

Janice O’Connell, Clerk
Assembly of Delegates