

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
TOWN OF HALIFAX, NORTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of the Town of Halifax that there be continuity in the governance of the Town, and that there be willing and able qualified candidates for the offices of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the population of the Town is such that there is a limited pool of potential candidates for office who are willing to devote the time and effort required of Town officials; and

WHEREAS, the current process for election of Mayor and Board of Commissioners for the Town is that the entire slate of Mayor and Board of Commissioners is up for election every two years; and

WHEREAS, this election process could result in the entire slate of Mayor and Board of Commissioners being unseated en masse, with a disruption in the necessary daily business of government; and

WHEREAS, after due deliberation, the Mayor and Board of Commissioners are convinced that the institution of an election process of staggered terms will promote continuity of Town government, and will make service in Town offices more attractive to candidates who will know that seasoned officials will guide them in their first days in office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

1. That, pursuant to NCGS 160A-101 et seq, the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of Halifax hereby formally petition the Legislature of the State of North Carolina, through our Representative Michael Wray, for the enactment of a law creating staggered terms for the offices of Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of Halifax; and

2. That, because of the importance of this matter, the Mayor and Board of Commissioners request that Representative Wray give it his usual prompt attention so that the process of staggered terms will be in place before the next election cycle.

DONE this 12th day of December, 2022, by a vote of 4 Ayes and
 Nays of the Board.

Town of Halifax

By: 

Mayor

ATTEST: 
Town Clerk