COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2021, Legislative Day No. --

Resolution No. 40-21

Introduced by Ms. Lacey, Chair

and by Ms. Lacey, Ms. Pickard, Ms. Rodvien, Mr. Pruski, and Mr. Volke

By the County Council, July 29, 2021
RESOLUTION to determine a process for selecting a qualified individual to fill the vacancy in the office of the elected member from District 1 on the Board of Education for Anne Arundel County
WHEREAS, in 2017, the Maryland General Assembly passed House Bill 716 requiring the Board of Education for Anne Arundel County (the "Board") to include seven elected members, one for each Councilmanic district; and
WHEREAS, the members of the Board for Districts 1, 4, 5, and 7 were elected in the general election held on November 6, 2018, and those for Districts 2, 3, and 6 were elected in the general election held on November 3, 2020; and
WHEREAS, the member of the Board elected in 2018 to represent District 1, Candace C.W. Antwine, began serving a six-year term on December 3, 2018, which runs through December 1, 2024; and
WHEREAS, on July 16, 2021, Ms. Antwine passed away; and
WHEREAS, § 3-2A-04 of the Education Article of State Code requires the County Council to select a qualified individual to fill any vacancy in the office of an elected member of the Board for the remainder of the term and until a successor is elected

and qualifies; and

WHEREAS, State law is silent on the process for selecting a qualified individual to fill the vacancy, and the County Council desires to establish an open and transparent process for choosing a new member of the Board; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, That it hereby determines the process for selecting a qualified individual to fill the vacancy in the office of the elected member from District 1 on the Board of Education as follows:

1. A solicitation for applications to fill the vacancy will be posted to the County Council website beginning August 2, 2021.

2. Applications will be accepted by the Administrative Officer to the County Council until 4:00 p.m. on September 1, 2021.

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- The time period for accepting applications may be extended if a majority of the Council agrees.
 After the application period closes, applications submitted by all qualified individuals will be posted to the County Council website.
 - 5. The County Council will hold at least one public hearing that includes interviews of the applicants before selecting an individual to fill the vacancy.
 - 6. Following the interviews and any deliberation by the Council, a roll call vote to fill the vacancy will be taken, with each Councilmember recommending an applicant. If no applicant receives a majority vote on the first ballot roll call, successive ballots roll calls, consisting of those applicants who received at least one vote on the previous ballot roll call, will be taken until one applicant receives a majority of the votes.
 - 7. The final selection by the County Council of a qualified individual to fill the vacancy in the office of the elected member from District 1 on the Board of Education, for the remainder of the term and until a successor is elected and qualifies, will be approved by resolution of the County Council.

READ AND PASSED this 29th day of July, 2021.

By Order:

Administrative Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT RESOLUTION NO. 40-21 IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.

Sarah F. Lacey

Chair