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## AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SENIOR CITIZENS TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, senior citizen homelessness and related issues, such as food, transportation, and access to medical care, are matters of serious concern in Talbot County, Maryland (the "County") and are expected to grow in severity; and

WHEREAS, addressing senior citizen homelessness and such related issues requires a multifaceted approach, with input from the public and private sectors as well as nonprofit organizations; and

WHEREAS, the County Council of Talbot County, Maryland (the "County Council") is desirous of formally establishing a Senior Citizens Task Force comprised of representatives from the public and private sectors as well as nonprofit organizations for the purposes of evaluating and making recommendations to the County Council regarding services for homeless senior citizens in the County, as more fully set forth in this Administrative Resolution.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Council of Talbot County, Maryland, that:

- 1. The County Council hereby establishes the Senior Citizens Task Force (the "Task Force") for the following purposes:
- a. Evaluating and making recommendations to the County Council regarding services for homeless senior citizens in Talbot County, with consideration given to the following:
  - i. Housing;
  - ii. Transportation;
  - iii. Meals; and
  - iv. Health care.
- 2. The Task Force shall consist of the following individuals, who shall serve for the terms indicated below and, except as otherwise indicated, be entitled to vote on all matters before the Task Force:

- a. An individual currently serving on the Talbot County Commission on Aging or another qualified representative recommended thereby;
- b. An individual currently serving on the Board of Directors of Delmarva Community Services, Inc. or another qualified representative recommended thereby;
- c. An individual currently serving on the Board of Directors of Talbot Interfaith Shelter or another qualified representative recommended thereby;
- d. An individual currently serving on the Board of Directors of the Neighborhood Service Center or another qualified representative recommended thereby;
- e. An individual currently serving on the Board of Directors of Mid-Shore Behavioral Health or another qualified representative recommended thereby;
  - f. A representative of the Talbot County Health Department Senior Care Program;
  - g. A representative of the Talbot County Mobile Integrated Health Program;
  - h. A member of the Easton Town Council; and
  - i. A member of the County Council.
- 3. The Task Force may consult with, and seek input from, other public and private sector agencies and nonprofit agencies in the County relevant to its mission, including, but not limited to, law enforcement, health care, financial, and housing agencies.
- 4. Task Force member shall be recommended by the entity for which they serve (the "Recommending Entity") for appointment by the County Council. Task Force members shall serve for a term of three (3) years and may serve multiple terms. In the event that any Task Force member ceases to serve their Recommending Entity before the expiration of their term on the Task Force, that Recommending Entity shall recommend another qualified individual for appointment by the County Council to serve the remainder of the term. The individual serving the remainder of their predecessor's term on the Task Force shall be eligible for reappointment as set forth herein.
  - 5. Administrative support for the Task Force shall be provided by the County Manager's Office.
  - 6. Legal support for the Task Force shall be provided by the Office of Law.
- 7. Task Force members serve at the pleasure of the County Council and may be removed at any time by a majority vote of the County Council.
  - 8. The Task Force shall meet at least once monthly, with additional meetings as needed.
- 9. The Chairperson of the Task Force shall provide Task Force reports at least once per quarter at regularly scheduled County Council meetings.

10. Task Force meetings shall comply with the Maryland Open Meetings Act, Md. Code Ann., General Provisions § 3-101, et seq., as amended hereafter from time to time.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Administrative Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**INTRODUCED** by the County Council of Talbot County, Maryland at a Regular Meeting on July 1, 2025, at which meeting copies were available to the public for inspection.

**AMENDED** by the County Council of Talbot County, Maryland at a Regular Meeting on August 12, 2025, at which copies were available to the public for inspection.

**ADOPTED AS AMENDED** by the County Council of Talbot County, Maryland at a Regular Meeting on August 12, 2025, at which meeting copies were available to the public for inspection.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND THE GREAT SEAL OF TALBOT COUNTY, THIS 12th DAY OF AUGUST IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND AND

ADOPTED AS AMENDED:

Callahan, President

By the Council: August 12, 2025

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