

**RESOLUTION 2024-006**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF A SUCCESSOR TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE TOWN COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Martha MacFarlane, after serving the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills with distinction as a member of the Town Council since November 2018 and as the Town's Mayor since September 2019, has submitted her resignation as both Mayor and a member of the Town Council, effective upon the adjournment of the Town Council meeting to be held on October 28, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the vacancy created on the Town Council by Mayor MacFarlane's resignation will occur less than 180 days before the next general election; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 3(c) of Article II of the Charter of the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills provides that the Mayor shall appoint an elector to fill such a vacancy, subject to the approving vote of a majority of the members of the Town Council; and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor MacFarlane has exercised her authority under Section 3(c) of Article II of the Charter to appoint the elector of the Town who secures the third-highest number of votes for a Town Council seat in the General Election to be held on November 5, 2024, to fill the vacancy created by her resignation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council desires to approve the Mayor's appointment of this successor to fill the open Town Council Seat #2 in accordance with the Town Charter.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS, FLORIDA.**

**Section 1.** The Town Council hereby approves the appointment of the elector of the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills who secures the third-highest number of votes for a Town Council seat in the General Election to be held on November 5, 2024, as the successor to fill the vacancy on the Town Council created by the vacation of Town Council Seat #2 by the resignation of Mayor Martha MacFarlane.

**Section 2.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by a majority vote of the Town Council.

**PASSED AND RESOLVED** this 26th day of August, 2024, by the Town Council of the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills, Florida.

*Signatures on the following page.*

**TOWN OF HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS,  
FLORIDA**

By: its Town Council

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Martha MacFarlane, Mayor

Attest:

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John Brock, Town Clerk

Approved as to form and legality:  
(for the use and reliance of the Town only)

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Tom Wilkes, Town Attorney

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| Councilor George Lehning        | _____yea | _____nay |
| Councilor Reneé Lannamañ        | _____yea | _____nay |
| Councilor David Miles           | _____yea | _____nay |
| Mayor Pro-Tem Marie V. Gallelli | _____yea | _____nay |
| Mayor Martha MacFarlane         | _____yea | _____nay |