

**CAPE COD REGIONAL GOVERNMENT
ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES
In the Year Two Thousand and Ten
Resolution 10-01**

To extend the timeframe for the Charter Review Committee to complete its work to December 31, 2010.

WHEREAS, The charge of the Charter Review Committee is to review the Barnstable County Home Rule Charter, as amended, and Ordinances of the County, for the purpose of determining if any amendments or revisions are necessary or desirable;

WHEREAS, It has been determined that the Charter Review Committee must make its report to the Assembly of Delegates by April 7, 2010 (please refer to attached timeline);

WHEREAS, The Charter Review Committee held its first meeting on October 14, 2009;

WHEREAS, The Charter Review Committee cannot complete a full evaluation of, and make appropriate recommendations regarding, the Barnstable County Home Rule Charter and Ordinances by April 7, 2010;

WHEREAS, There have been no Charter changes in 10 years it is, thereby, deemed prudent to conduct a complete review and evaluation with the necessary time to do so;

WHEREAS, The Charter Review Committee believes in the importance of having significant public outreach as part of this process, which also cannot be accomplished within such a short period of time;

WHEREAS, The Manual of Governance, Section 20 (a), paragraph 2, states that all committees, other than standing committees, automatically expire at the end of the elective term of Assembly members, and that date is December 31, 2010;

WHEREAS, The Charter Review Committee requests that the timeframe to complete its work be extended to December 31, 2010; and

WHEREAS, The Charter Review Committee notes its intention to ask the next session of the Assembly of Delegates to re-establish the Charter Review Committee so that it can complete its work no later than December 31, 2011, for consideration at the November 2012 election – the next opportunity to include a Charter revision on an election ballot.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates:

The timeframe for the Charter Review Committee to complete its work is extended to December 31, 2010.

The Charter Review Committee shall file a report with the Assembly of Delegates on April 7, 2010, providing recommendations for the Assembly of Delegates to consider for the November 2010 election. Subsequent recommendations shall be filed with the Assembly of Delegates in December 2010 to be considered for the November 2012 election.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates, by a roll call vote with 74.27% voting yes and 12.74% voting no at the regular meeting held on December 3, 2010.

Attested by:

Diane C. Thompson, Clerk
Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates

March 3, 2010