

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WHEELING TO
CONFORM WITH THE ORDER OF THE WEST VIRGINIAS
GOVERNORS OFFICE IN REGARDS TO MOVING ELECTIONS
FROM MAY 12, 2020 TO JUNE 9, 2020 DUE TO CORONA VIRUS
PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, a State of Emergency was declared on the Sixteenth Day of March, Two Thousand Twenty for all counties in West Virginia (the "State of Emergency Declaration"), to allow agencies to coordinate and create necessary measures to prepare for and respond to the outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel corona virus now known as COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, it is projected by national and state health officials that the COVID-19 pandemic will continue to worsen throughout the country and throughout the state, with an apex for the number of cases occurring in West Virginia on or about the last week of April 2020; and

WHEREAS, the postponement of the primary elections in this state will necessitate the postponement of municipal elections in this state for a similar period of time to allow voting resources to be efficiently utilized and to ensure that all elections proceed in the safest manner possible during this state of emergency, and the postponement of the primary elections may likewise make it necessary or advisable for levying bodies to coordinate with the appropriate county commission and board of ballot commissioners, in consultation with the State Auditor, regarding the possibility of placing the question of such levies on the primary elections ballot; and

WHEREAS, confirmation was received from the Office of the Secretary of State through the office of the City Clerk that the Governor's Order is applicable to the City of Wheeling and Municipal Elections; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wheeling follows the State of West Virginia's in election dates and deadlines and hereby continues to do so through the Executive Order.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Election scheduled for May 12, 2020 be rescheduled to June 9, 2020.

ADOPTED this 7TH of April, 2020.

Glenn F. Elliott Jr.