ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 2-2-10 (ESTABLISHMENT OF ELECTION DISTRICTS AND VOTING PLACES) by establishing T.C. Williams High School as a temporary replacement for the Chinquapin Recreation Center polling place for the November 8, 2016 Presidential Election.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia has established that polling places are to be located in public buildings whenever practical. Va. Code § 24.2-310.1 (1950 as amended).

Section 2. The Alexandria Electoral Board, which is comprised of three bipartisan members who are appointed by the Alexandria Circuit Court for staggered three year terms, is responsible for making recommendations to City Council concerning changes in precinct boundaries and for establishing new precincts. City Council has the authority to make these changes. The Electoral Board is required to provide polling places that are accessible to all voters and the Board continually strives to provide voters with the most accessible facilities that will provide the most suitable space for voting.

Section 3. In light of the requirement of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia as expressed in Va. Code § 24.2-310.1, the Electoral Board has determined that the space currently used for voting in the Chinquapin Recreation Center is not large enough to accommodate the estimated turnout of 2,000 voters in the Presidential Election on November 8, 2016.

Section 4. That Section 2-2-10(o) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981 as amended, be, and the same is hereby adopted to read as follows:

(o) The Chinquapin Park Recreation Center Election District shall be bounded and described by the census blocks shown on the map adopted by <u>section 2-2-13</u> of this code as comprising the said district. The voting place within the Chinquapin Park Recreation Center Election District shall be at the Chinquapin Park Recreation Center, located at 3210 King Street. However, the temporary voting place for the district for the November 8, 2016 election shall be T.C. Williams High School, located at 3330 King Street.

Section 5. That this ordinance shall become effective upon the date and at the time of its final passage and the adjustments contained herein will be utilized for the November 8, 2016 election.

ALLISON SILBERBERG Mayor

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