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COUNTY COUNCIL

OF

DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND

BILL NO.

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AN ACT OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND PURSUANT TO SECTION 10-202 AND SECTION 10-323 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, TO REPEAL AND REENACT CHAPTER 37 ENTITLED "RECREATION AND PARKS" OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND BEING ARTICLE 10 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF MARYLAND, TO PROVIDE FOR THE RE-CREATION OF THE BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARKS FOR DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND (THE "BOARD"), TO PROVIDE FOR THE MEMBERSHIP, ORGANIZATION AND RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE BOARD, TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT AND QUALIFICATIONS OF A DIRECTOR OF RECREATION AND PARKS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD.

<u>SECTION ONE:</u> Acting under Section 10-202 and Section 10-323 of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland (the "Acts"), be it ENACTED and ORDAINED by the County Council of Dorchester County, Maryland, that Chapter 37 entitled "Recreation and Parks" of the Code of Public Local Laws of Dorchester County, Maryland, being Article 10 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, be and the same is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

Chapter 37

RECREATION AND PARKS

§ 37-1. Board of Recreation and Parks established.

The Board of Recreation and Parks for Dorchester County, Maryland (the "Board") is

hereby established with the functions specified in this chapter

§ 37-2. Membership, organization and rules of procedure.

A. Composition; terms; vacancies; compensation. The Board shall consist of ten (10) members appointed by the County Council of Dorchester County, Maryland (the "County Council"), all of whom shall have been legal residents of Dorchester County, Maryland, for a

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period of three (3) years next preceding their appointment and one (1) of whom shall be the Superintendent of County Schools or his designated representative. All members of the Board shall be appointed for terms of four (4) years from the first day of January of the year of their appointment or until their successors are appointed. The current members of the Board shall compose the Board for the first term of four (4) years. Vacancies occurring otherwise than by expiration of a term shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments and for the unexpired term. Members of the Board shall serve at the pleasure of the County Council and may be removed from the Board by the County Council at any time, with or without cause. All members of the Board shall serve without compensation, except for necessary expenses, as approved by the County Council.

B. Officers; meetings. The Board shall annually select from among its membership a Chairman, a Vice Chairman and a Treasurer. Its Secretary may or may not be a member of the Board. The Board is hereby empowered to adopt all necessary rules and regulations for the conduct of its business and shall hold such meetings, both regular and special, as may from time to time be deemed necessary. The Board shall hold at least four (4) meetings yearly. The Board's regular place of business shall be Cambridge, Dorchester County, Maryland, but both regular and special meetings of the Board may be held elsewhere in the discretion of the Board.

§ 37-3. Appointment of Director; term; qualifications.

The County Council may appoint a Director of Recreation and Parks. The Director shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Board, but not a member of the Board. With the advice of the Board, and the approval of the County Council, the Director shall be charged with the general organization, administration and supervision of the programs of public recreation. The Director shall serve at the pleasure of the County Council. The Director shall have such training,

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experience and capacity as will especially qualify the Director to discharge the duties of the office and those qualifications of education, training and experience which will assure a thorough knowledge of current theory and practice in public recreation.

§ 37-4. Functions and duties of Board.

The function of the Board shall be to advise the County Council as to general policy relating to public recreation and parks in or for Dorchester County, Maryland, including a comprehensive program of public recreation in schools, parks or other lands or buildings, either publicly or privately owned, or other acceptable recreational facilities made available to the County Council.

<u>SECTION TWO:</u> Be it further ENACTED and ORDAINED, by the County Council of Dorchester County, Maryland that General Code Publishers is directed to codify new Chapter 37 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Dorchester County, Maryland being Article 10 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland in the Dorchester County Code accordingly.

<u>SECTION THREE</u>: Be it further ENACTED and ORDAINED, pursuant to Section 308 of the Charter of Dorchester County, Maryland that promptly after enactment of this Act, the County Manager shall cause a fair summary of this Act to be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in Dorchester County, Maryland.

<u>SECTION FOUR:</u> Be it further ENACTED and ORDAINED by the County Council of Dorchester County, Maryland that this Bill shall be known as Bill No. 2017-<u>8</u> of Dorchester County, Maryland and shall take effect sixty (60) days after its final passage.

PASSED this ^{7th} day of November , 2017.

ATTEST:

BY: Jeremey County Manager

COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: ico President

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APPROVED this ______ November _day of , 2017. COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER ATTEST: COUNTY, MARYLAND BY: BY: OM Ricky C. Travers Tom C. Bradshaw Jeremey Goldman Vice President County Manager President-Nichols - age Satterfield – dye Bradshaw – dye Price - na Travers -

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