RESOLUTION 2023 – 45

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING A SUCCESSOR COUNCIL MEMBER TO FILL A VACANCY

WHEREAS, at the November 2, 2021 general election, Maria R. Farris was elected to the office of Council Member for a three (3) year term commencing on January 1, 2022 and expiring on December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Maria R. Farris has resigned from her office as Council Member, as she is no longer a resident of the Borough of Mount Arlington, and as such, there is a vacancy of her former office as Council Member pursuant to the Municipal Vacancy Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:16-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Arlington Republican Organization did submit names of proposed nominees to fill the vacancy within the statutorily prescribed timeframes as set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:16-11; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:16-5(b) as the remaining term of the vacant Council Member office became vacant prior to September 1 of the next-to-the last year of the term of such office, the Borough Council may temporarily fill the vacancy until the next general election, being November 7, 2023, at which time such office will be on the ballot for the balance of the term; and

WHEREAS, Maria R. Farris was a nominee of a municipal political committee for her former office as a Council Member, being the Mount Arlington Republican Organization; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Arlington Republican Organization did submit names of proposed nominees to fill the vacancy within the statutorily prescribed timeframes as set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:16-11; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington is authorized by N.J.S.A. 40A:16-11 to fill the vacancy by the appointment of a successor from the aforementioned list of nominees from the same political party which had nominated Maria R. Farris, and are within the time frames set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:16-11 to make such an appointment; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington desires to appoint Dave BaRoss who is qualified pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:16-10 to temporarily fill the unexpired office of Council Member formerly held by Maria R. Farris until the next general election, being November 7, 2023, at which time such office will be on the ballot for the balance of the term.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, that Dave BaRoss is hereby appointed to temporarily fill the unexpired office of Council Member formerly held by Maria R. Farris until the next general election, being November 7, 2023, at which time this office will be on the ballot for the balance of the term, which appointment is effective immediately and upon taking the oath of office pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:16-21.

I HEREBY CERTIFY this to be a true and correct Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, and adopted on January 17, 2023.

Matthew N. Bansch, Borough Clerk