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FULL TEXT OF MEASURE  V

CHARTER AMENDMENT/MEASURE “  V  ”

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY DO HEREBY AMEND THE ALBANY CITY CHARTER AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1. Text of Charter Amendment.** Subject to the approval of a majority of the voters of the City of Albany at the scheduled election so designated by City Council resolution placing the proposal on the ballot for such election, the Albany City Charter is hereby amended to read as follows:

[deletions are shown in ~~strikeout~~ and additions are shown in **bold underline**]

CHAPTER V: ELECTIONS

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~~Section 5.03. PROVIDING FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS MADE ELECTIVE BY THIS CHARTER.~~

~~Within thirty (30) days after this Charter takes effect, the City Council shall call an election, to be held within thirty (30) days thereafter, for the election of a City Attorney, a City Judge, and a Chief of Police who shall hold office until the third Monday in April, 1930, and until their successors are elected or appointed and qualify.~~

**VOTING AGE IN CITY ELECTIONS**

**(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the State Elections Code or other State or local law, persons 16 years old and above, who otherwise meet all qualifications**

1 for voter registration under State law other than those provisions that address age, and  
2 who are duly registered to vote with the Alameda County Registrar of Voters, may vote  
3 in City of Albany elections for elected officials and ballot measures. Implementation of  
4 this Section shall be postponed until the City Council, by ordinance or resolution, finds  
5 that the Alameda County Registrar of Voters can feasibly accommodate a City election  
6 that includes persons 16 and 17 years old as electors at a cost-effective price for the  
7 service. Once the City Council makes such finding, this Section shall be implemented at  
8 the next scheduled general or special municipal election and all municipal elections held  
9 thereafter shall include electors 16 years old and above as provided in this Section.

10 (b) This Section only authorizes qualifying persons 16 years old and above to vote in  
11 municipal elections. Nothing in this Section shall authorize persons under the age of 18  
12 years old at the time of election to be elected to office as a member of the City Council.

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14 **CHAPTER VI: BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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17 **Section 6.04. VOTING AGE IN SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTIONS**

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19 (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the State Elections Code or  
20 other State or local law, persons 16 years old and above, who otherwise meet all  
21 qualifications for voter registration under State law other than those provisions that  
22 address age, and who are duly registered to vote with the Alameda County Registrar of  
23 Voters, may vote in Albany Unified School District elections for elected officials and  
24 ballot measures. Implementation of this Section shall be postponed until the Board of  
25 Education, by ordinance or resolution, finds that the Alameda County Registrar of  
26 Voters can feasibly accommodate a School District election that includes persons 16 and  
27 17 years old as electors at a cost-effective price for the service. Once the Board of  
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1 **Education makes such finding, this Section shall be implemented at the next scheduled**  
2 **general or special district election and all district elections held thereafter shall include**  
3 **electors 16 years old and above as provided in this Section.**

4 **(b) This Section only authorizes qualifying persons 16 years old and above to**  
5 **vote in school district elections. Nothing in this Section shall authorize persons under**  
6 **the age of 18 years old at the time of election to be elected to office as a member of the**  
7 **Board of Education.”**

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9 **SECTION 2. Approval, Filing and Recordation of Charter Amendment.**

10 Pursuant to California Government Code Section 34460, if approved by a majority of voters,  
11 the Mayor and City Clerk shall certify, authenticate and attest to the passage of this Charter  
12 Amendment. The City Clerk shall also (i) record one copy of this Charter Amendment with  
13 the Alameda County Recorder’s Office, (ii) file one copy in the City’s archives and (iii) file  
14 one copy with the California Secretary of State. Each copy recorded with the County Recorder  
15 and filed in the City’s archives shall also be filed with the following documents:

16 A. Certified copies of all publications and notices required of the City by  
17 State law in connection with the calling of an election to propose the Charter  
18 Amendment.

19 B. Certified copies of any arguments for or against the Charter  
20 Amendment that were mailed to voters pursuant to California Elections Code Sections  
21 9281 et. seq.

22 C. A certified abstract of the vote at the election at which the Charter  
23 Amendment was approved by the voters.

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26 **SECTION 3. Ratification and Effective Date.** Pursuant to California Government  
27 Code Section 34459, this Charter Amendment shall be deemed ratified if approved by a  
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1 majority of the eligible voters of the City of Albany voting at the General Municipal Election  
2 of November 5, 2024. However, this Charter Amendment shall not take effect until it has been  
3 accepted and filed by the Secretary of State pursuant to Government Code Section 34460.

4 **SECTION 4. Severability.** If any provision of this Charter Amendment or the  
5 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the Charter  
6 Amendment and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not  
7 be affected thereby.

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9 I hereby certify that the foregoing Charter Amendment was PASSED, APPROVED  
10 AND ADOPTED by the People of the City of Albany at the November 5, 2024 General  
11 Municipal Election.

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JOHN MIKI, MAYOR

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16 Attest:

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Anne Hsu, City Clerk

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20 Approved as to form:

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Malathy Subramanian, City Attorney