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HOUSE BILL NO. 1983

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Governor on March 22, 2013)

(Patron Prior to Substitute--Delegate May)

A BILL to vest title to real property of the former Town of Waterford to the County of Loudoun.

Whereas, title to all real property held in the name of the former Town of Waterford, whose charter was repealed by Chapter 280 of the Acts of Assembly of 1936, vested in the Commonwealth of Virginia without any further act or deed as of the date the charter was repealed to the extent such title did not otherwise vest in another; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. That the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor pursuant to § 2.2-1150 of the Code of Virginia, is hereby authorized to convey by quitclaim deed, without warranty of any kind, to the County of Loudoun, all of the Commonwealth's right, title, and interest, if any, in and to, and to release any claim upon, said real property held in the name of the former Town of Waterford, less and except those lands that now comprise any part of the systems of state highways. The conveyance documents shall be in a form approved by the Attorney General. The conveyance shall be made for the nominal monetary consideration of \$1. The County of Loudoun shall pay all costs and expenses incurred in the transfer of the property and shall be responsible for the abatement, and related costs, of any currently existing environmental contamination on the property to the extent required by applicable law. The Board of Supervisors of Loudoun County shall have and may exercise the powers to alter or vacate the streets, alleys, and other public rights-of-way as laid out in accordance with the survey and plan of the former town made pursuant to Chapter 161 of the Acts of Assembly of 1874-75, and to authorize encroachments thereon, using the procedures set forth in §§ 15.2-2006 through 15.2-2012 of the Code of Virginia. No provision of this act shall alter any private rights to property in the former Town of Waterford. Nothing herein shall be construed to affect the status of, or jurisdiction over, any road or easement that, as of July 1, 2013, or thereafter, comprises any part of the systems of state highways.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA COUNTY OF LOUDOUN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



Resolution Regarding Old Streets and Alleys in the former Town of Waterford

WHEREAS, at the request of Loudoun County, House Bill 1983 has been submitted to the General Assembly of the State of Virginia to assist the County in addressing issues related to old streets and alleys in the former Town of Waterford; and

WHEREAS, the bill would give the County the same powers as a town to vacate, or allow encroachments in, streets or alleys in the area encompassed by the former Town of Waterford; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to state its intentions with respect to exercise of such authority if granted by the General Assembly.

NOW, THERFORE. BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors states its intention to use the authority proposed in HB 1983 to vacate rights-of-way, or permit right-of way encroachments, in the former Town of Waterford only where immediately affected property owners are in agreement as to the need for, or desirability of, such action.

Scott K. York, Chairman, At-Large

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