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RESOLUTION NO. R2012-29

**A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL
SETTING FORTH THE PROVISIONS FOR APPOINTMENT AND
RETENTION OF SPECIAL MAGISTRATES IN ACCORDANCE
WITH § 2-203 OF WELLINGTON'S CODE OF ORDINANCES;
AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, Section 2-203 of Wellington's Code of Ordinances provides for the appointment of Special Magistrates on a staggered basis for a term of two years; and

WHEREAS, appointed Special Magistrates hear and decide cases involving code violations in the same manner and extent as a Code Enforcement Board; and

WHEREAS, it is the purpose of this Resolution to formalize the process for the selection of Special Magistrates.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY WELLINGTON'S COUNCIL THAT:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are hereby affirmed and ratified as being true and correct.

SECTION 2. The process for selection of Special Magistrates shall be as follows:

- a. Special Magistrates are appointed by the Council to serve two year terms.
- b. The Council may appoint as many as four (4) Special Magistrates to serve at any one time.
- c. Approximately 90 days prior to the expiration of a Special Magistrate's term the staff shall advertise requesting letters of interest for qualified applicants to be appointed as a Special Magistrate.
- d. Publication and advertisement for the opening may be placed in or on the following:
 - a. *Florida Bar Journal*;
 - b. *Palm Beach Post and local newspapers*;
 - c. *Village web site*; and
 - d. *Channel 18*
- e. The public notice shall give prospective applicants at least 30 days from the initial date of the notice to submit letters of interest and resumes to the Village Clerk. Immediately after the time for submission has passed, the Village Clerk shall forward a copy of all letters of interest and resumes received to the Council for their review.
- f. At the next available Council meeting after the receipt of the applications, selection of the Special Magistrate(s) shall be placed on the Council's agenda for discussion and appointment.
- g. Appointment of Special Magistrates shall be subject to any applicable limitations on serving consecutive terms.

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3 **SECTION 3.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

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5 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 12th day of June, 2012.

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7 **ATTEST:**

VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON

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9 BY: Awilda Rodriguez
10 Awilda Rodriguez, Wellington Clerk

By: Bob Margolis
Bob Margolis, Mayor

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14 **APPROVED AS TO FORM AND**
15 **LEGAL SUFFICIENCY**

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17 BY: Jeffrey S. Kurtz
18 Jeffrey S. Kurtz, Esq., Attorney for Wellington
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