## **ORDINANCE NO.\_**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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## AN ORDINANCE PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 403 (CONTROLLER) OF THE SAN MATEO COUNTY CHARTER TO CONVERT THE OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER FROM AN ELECTED POSITION TO AN APPOINTED POSITION AND ORDERING THE AMENDMENT TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE ELIGIBLE REGISTERED VOTERS AT THE NOVEMBER 6, 2012 ELECTION

The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, **ORDAINS** as follows

**<u>SECTION 1</u>**. The Board of Supervisors hereby approves the amendment to the Charter as set forth in Section 5 of this Ordinance subject to its ratification and adoption by the voters.

**SECTION 2.** The Board of Supervisors hereby submits the proposed amendment to the

Charter as set forth in Section 5 of this Ordinance to the eligible registered voters of the

County of San Mateo at the election to be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2012.

**<u>SECTION 3.</u>** The Clerk of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to publish a copy of this ordinance as required by applicable law. The Chief Elections Officer shall publish a notice of this election in accordance with applicable law.

## SECTION 4.

- (a) The Election shall be held and conducted, the returns canvassed, and the result declared in the same manner as provided by law for general elections.
- (b) The Election will be held on November 6, 2012, from the hour of 7:00 a.m. to the

hour of 8:00 p.m., during which period of time the polls will remain continuously open. At 8:00 p.m., the polls will be closed, except as provided in section 14401 of the Elections Code.

- (c) The Chief Elections Officer shall prepare and mail to each eligible voter in the County a sample ballot and a voter's pamphlet containing the complete text of the proposed amendment to the Charter as set forth in Section 5.
- (d) The Chief Elections Officer shall establish election precincts, designate the polling places, and provide election officers for each precinct at the November 6, 2012 election in accordance with the election laws of the State of California.
- (e) The election on the proposed amendment to the Charter as set forth in Section 5 shall be consolidated with any and all other elections to be held on November 6, 2012.

**SECTION 5.** The following measure containing an amendment to the Charter of the County of San Mateo shall be submitted to the electorate on November 6, 2012:

(a) The measure shall read:

Shall the San Mateo County Charter be amended to change the elected position of Controller to an appointed position?

(b) The full text of the measure shall read as follows:Shall Section 403 of the County Charter be amended to read as follows:

## 403. Controller.

The Controller shall be appointed. Notwithstanding Section 416 of this Charter, the first term of office for the Controller appointed pursuant to this Section shall commence January 1, 2013. The Board of Supervisors shall, by ordinance, implement this Section.

**SECTION 6.** Pursuant to California Elections Code section 9162(a), the Board of Supervisors or a member or members of the Board are authorized to author and submit arguments in regards to the measure listed in section 5 of this ordinance.

**SECTION 7**. Pursuant to the provisions of Government Code section 25123, this ordinance calling an election shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by this Board of Supervisors.