## ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS AT THE NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION DATE OF EVENNUMBERED YEARS WITH THE FIRST SUCH ELECTION OCCURING IN 2022.

WHEREAS members of the Mineral Town Council are elected in May in even numbered years for four-year terms and take office on July 1; and

WHEREAS Virginia Code section 24.2-222.1, 1950, as amended, provides that, notwithstanding any contrary provisions of a town charter, the council of a town may provide by ordinance that the council shall be elected at the November general election date of any cycle as designated in the ordinance, for terms to commence January 1; and

WHEREAS the 2021 General Assembly passed Senate Bill 1157 shifting all municipal elections for towns from May to November, beginning with elections held after January 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS the Mineral Town Council, after public hearing and considering the interests of the voters of the Town of Mineral, has concluded that it is in the public interest to shift municipal elections to odd numbered years pursuant to the grant of authority contained Va. Code section 24.2-222.1, 1950, as amended.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED THAT the Mineral Town Code, Chapter 182, "Elections," be amended by adding § 182-2, "November Elections" to read as follows:

## "Sec 182-2 November Elections

The Mayor and six members of Town Council shall be elected for four year terms at the November general election date beginning in November 2022 for terms to commence January 1, 2023."

This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

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Approved by Mineral Town Council on April 11.2022

ATTEST:

Interim Town Manager