

RESOLUTION NO. 1261-25

A Resolution of the Bel Air Board of Town Commissioners to Appoint Kristien S. Foss as a Commissioner to Fill the Vacancy Created by the Resignation of James B. Rutledge III

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2025, the Bel Air Board of Town Commissioners formally accepted the resignation of Commissioner James B. Rutledge III, effective October 21, 2025, thereby creating a vacancy on the Board; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 307(b) of the Town of Bel Air, MD Charter, when three or more Commissioners remain in office, the Board is authorized to appoint an individual qualified pursuant to Town of Bel Air, MD Charter Section 302 to fill such vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Town Commissioners, committed to transparency and community engagement, solicited interest from qualified residents of the Town of Bel Air to serve out the remainder of Commissioner Rutledge's term, which expires in November 2027; and

WHEREAS, the Board reviewed all applications submitted by the deadline of November 20, 2025, and conducted interviews with eligible candidates; and

WHEREAS, after careful consideration, the Board hereby finds that Kristien S. Foss meets all qualifications pursuant to the Town of Bel Air, MD Charter and is committed to serving the Town of Bel Air and its residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bel Air Board of Town Commissioners that Kristien S. Foss is hereby appointed to serve as Town Commissioner for the remainder of the unexpired term ending in November 2027; and

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Kristien S. Foss shall be sworn in as Commissioner on the 22nd day of December 2025 before assuming her seat as Commissioner of the Board of Town Commissioners; and

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

ENACTMENT: December 22, 2025

SWORN IN/EFFECTIVE: December 22, 2025

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

Paula S. Etting, Chair
Board of Town Commissioners

Michael L. Krantz, Town Clerk