TOWN OF HARWINTON SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2003

ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AN APPOINTED BOARD OF ASSESSORS

SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION. This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, §§9-185, 9-187 and 9-198, as amended.

SECTION 2. APPOINTED BOARD OF ASSESSORS. Commencing with the terms of the members of the Board of Assessors whose terms expire November 22, 2005, and November 20, 2007, the Board of Selectmen shall appoint the members of the Board of Assessors, each for a term of four (4) years, and thence every four years thereafter, and the Board of Assessors shall no longer be elected at the November municipal election. Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Board of Assessors shall be appointed for the remainder of the term. All four (4) year terms shall expire on the second Tuesday next following the November municipal election, and all members shall continue to serve until their successors are appointed and duly qualified. The membership of the Board of Assessors shall be subject to the minority representation requirements of Connecticut General Statutes, §9-167a.

SECTION 3. QUALIFICATIONS, COMPENSATION, DUTIES. The Board of Selectmen shall determine the qualifications and compensation of the Board of Assessors, subject to the approval of the Board of Finance. The members of the Board of Assessors shall be electors of the Town of Harwinton. At least one member shall at all times be certified in accordance with regulations adopted pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, §12-40a, as amended, and authorized by law to sign the grand list. The Board of Assessors shall choose one member to act as Chairman. The Board of Selectmen may provide for clerical and other assistance within the limits of the budget for the Assessor's office approved by the Board of Finance.

SECTION 4. RESOLUTION AND ORDINANCE REPEALED. Resolution No. 53, adopted July 24, 1981, and Ordinance No. 54, adopted October 27, 1981, concerning the number of members of the Board of Assessors and the Board of Tax Review for which an elector may vote, are repealed. On or after the effective date of this Ordinance, an elector may vote for the full number of members of the Board of Assessors until such time as the elected Board of Assessors is abolished, and for the full number of members of the Board of Assessment Appeals to be elected, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, §9-199.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication of a summary of its provisions in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes, §7-157(b) and shall be implemented in accordance with the timetable set forth herein.

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