

PREAMBLE

We, the People of Charles County, State of Maryland, in order to form a more orderly County government, establish separate legislative and executive branches, ensure responsibility of and accountability for public funds, coordinate and communicate with the independent state officers and offices in the County, promote the general welfare and secure the benefits of home rule, do, in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Maryland, adopt, ordain and establish as our Charter and form of government this CHARTER OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND.