

State of Maryland - Charter Amendment Petition

We, the undersigned voters of Baltimore City, hereby petition to have this amendment of the Baltimore City Charter submitted to a vote of the registered voters of Baltimore City, for approval or rejection at the next general election. *The full text of the proposed amendment appears on the back of this signature page and its subject and purpose is as follows:*

To amend the Baltimore City Charter to delete and strike language in Article II, Sec. 49 of the Baltimore City Charter so that language shall be of no force or effect. Such stricken language relates to the right of the City and its inhabitants to initiate legislation related to the classification and taxation of property in the City. The proposed amendment would go into effect if at the election the majority of the votes cast for and against the amendment shall be in favor thereof, the amendment shall be adopted and become a part of the Charter of Baltimore City from and after the thirtieth day after the election.

NOTICE TO SIGNERS: Sign and print your name (1) as it appears on the voter registration list, OR (2) your surname of registration AND at least one full given name AND the initial of any other names. Please print or type all information other than your signature. Post Office Box addresses are not generally accepted as valid. By signing this petition, you support the purpose of the petition process of placing this charter amendment on the ballot as a question at the next general election and that, to the best of your information and belief, you are registered to vote in Baltimore City and are eligible to have your signature counted for this petition.

Please Note: The information you provide on this petition is public information and may be used to change your voter registration address.

1	Print Name:	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		Month	Date	Year	
						Birth Date:			
	Signature:					Date of Signature:	Month	Date	Year
	Maryland Residence Address:	Street Number	Street Name		Apt. No.	City or Town		Zip	
2	Print Name:	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		Month	Date	Year	
						Birth Date:			
	Signature:					Date of Signature:	Month	Date	Year
	Maryland Residence Address:	Street Number	Street Name		Apt. No.	City or Town		Zip	
3	Print Name:	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		Month	Date	Year	
						Birth Date:			
	Signature:					Date of Signature:	Month	Date	Year
	Maryland Residence Address:	Street Number	Street Name		Apt. No.	City or Town		Zip	
4	Print Name:	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		Month	Date	Year	
						Birth Date:			
	Signature:					Date of Signature:	Month	Date	Year
	Maryland Residence Address:	Street Number	Street Name		Apt. No.	City or Town		Zip	

Individual Circulator's printed or typed name

Residence Address

City State Zip

Telephone (including area code)

Circulator's Affidavit Under penalties of perjury, I swear (or affirm) that:

- (a) I was at least 18 years old when each signature was obtained;
- (b) the information given to the left identifying me is true and correct;
- (c) I personally observed each signer as he or she signed this page; and
- (d) to the best of my knowledge and belief: (i) all signatures on this page are genuine; and (ii) all signers are registered voters of Maryland. *(Sign and Date when signature collection is completed)*

Circulator's Signature

Date (mm/dd/yy)

Article II – General Powers

§ 49. Constitutional and other powers.

The voters of Baltimore City shall have and are hereby expressly granted the power to make such changes in Section 1 to 6, inclusive of Article XI of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, as they may deem best; such power shall be exercised only by the adoption or amendment of a charter as provided in Article XI-A of said Constitution; provided, that nothing contained in this subsection (49) shall be construed to authorize the exercise of any powers in excess of those conferred by the Legislature upon said City, as set forth in Article XI-A of said Constitution.; ~~and expressly provided, further that nothing herein contained shall give to the City or to the inhabitants thereof the right to initiate any legislation, laws or ordinances relating to the classification and taxation of real and personal property within the limits of said City.~~

The powers heretofore or hereafter granted to the City not included in Article II of its Charter shall, nevertheless, be exercisable by said City. Nothing contained in this subsection (49) shall be construed to take away or limit any power vested in the City, under the laws existing prior to June 1, 1945.