## **RESOLUTION 2012-12**

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MICHAELS TO ADOPT THE ST. MICHAELS GROWTH TIER MAPS WHICH INDICATE THOSE AREAS SERVED BY PUBLIC SEWERAGE SYSTEMS, THOSE AREAS INTENDED TO BE SERVED BY PUBLIC SEWERAGE SYSTEMS AND THOSE AREAS NOT PLANNED FOR SEWERAGE SERVICE. THIS MAPPING WAS COMPLETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION ACT OF 2012 (SB 236) WHICH WAS ADOPTED BY THE MARYLAND LEGISLATURE IN 2012.

WHEREAS, Governor O'Malley on April 18, 2011, issued an Executive Order creating the Task Force on Sustainable Growth and Wastewater Disposal, which consisted of a broad cross-section of representatives from business, agriculture, science, environmental advocacy, and government from throughout Maryland; and

WHEREAS, The Task Force was charged with recommending regulatory, statutory and other actions to address the impact of major developments served by on-site sewage disposal systems, commonly known as septic systems, and their effects on pollution, land preservation, agribusiness, and smart growth; and

WHEREAS, The Task Force reported its findings in December 2011 to the Governor, the Speaker of the House, the President of the Senate, the House Environmental Matters Committee and the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee; and

WHEREAS, The Sustainable Growth and Agricultural Preservation Act of 2012 (SB236), adopted by the Maryland Legislature in 2012, embodies the nearly unanimous recommendations of the Task Force on planning for growth served by on–site sewage disposal systems and where major subdivisions served by on–site sewage disposal systems and shared facilities can be located; and

WHEREAS, The SB236 requires participating local jurisdictions to adopt Growth Tier Maps indicating those areas served by public sewerage systems, those areas intended to be served by public sewerage systems, and those areas not planned for sewerage service, and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the provisions of the SB236, The Town of St. Michaels has developed a SB236 Growth Tier Map, assigning Growth Tier designations to those lands within the municipal boundary and to those lands within the municipal growth area as shown within the 2008 St. Michaels Comprehensive Plan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon the affirmative vote by a majority of the Commissioners.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN PASSED by a yea or nay vote of the Commissioners of St. Michaels on this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2012.

Borders-	yea
Clark	yea
duPont	yen
Harrod	yen
Vlahovich	yen

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above Resolution was passed by a yea and nay vote of the Commissioners of St. Michaels on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2012.

ATTEST:

THE COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MICHAELS

Jean R. Weisman

Town Clerk/Manager

A. Michael Vlahovich, President