

**TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS
RESOLUTION 01-24**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT AND APPOINTMENT OF NATHANIEL SAUNDERS AS THE TECHNOLOGY OFFICER TO SERVE WITHIN THE FOREST HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Introduced By: Mayor Troy Lilly

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 33-66 of the Charter of the Town of Forest Heights (the "Charter") the Town shall have the power to employ such officers and employees as it deems necessary to execute the powers and duties provided by the Charter or other state law and to operate the Town government; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 33-18(b) of the Charter, all full-time subordinate officers and employees of the offices, departments, and agencies of the Town government shall be appointed and removed by the Mayor with the consent of the Council, in accordance with rules and regulations of any merit system which may be adopted by the Council; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 23.9 of the Town Ordinance Code, certain minimum qualifications for automated enforcement is stated therein, and the Chief of Police has verified to the Mayor and Council that the candidate is of good moral character and emotionally stable, as determined by a comprehensive background investigation, which includes fingerprinting of the applicant and a search made of local, state and criminal records, including a check of military, selective service, employment and driving records; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 7.90 of the Employee Handbook each new or promoted employee shall be notified of his or her probationary status, and unless other law, regulation or valid contract states otherwise (as in the case of existing merit employees), and at the end of 180 days and satisfactory evaluation by the Supervisor, Police Chief, and Mayor, and should the performance evaluation be unsatisfactory, the Police Chief and Mayor may extend the probation period for an additional 180 days; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that Nathaniel Saunders has shown that he has the necessary experience, training, and knowledge to serve as an Technology Officer in the Police Department and it is in the best interest of the Town to appoint Mr. Saunders as an Technology Officer.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby consents to the Mayor's appointment of Nathaniel Saunders as an Technology Officer at the annual salary of \$50,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said officer's salary shall be paid from line item 9008-7001 Salary from the FY2024 Budget; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

PASSED this 2 day of January 2024.

APPROVED: By Resolution of the Town Council of The Town of Forest Heights, Maryland

ROLL CALL VOTE

YEA/NAY/ABSTAIN/ABSENT

LILLY

Yea

KENNEDY II

Yea

NOBLE

Yea

BROWNSON

Yea

HINES

Yea

MCDONALD

Yea

LITTLE

Yea

ATTEST:

THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND

Sherletta Hawkins, Clerk
Sherletta Hawkins, Town Clerk

By: Troy Barrington Lilly
Troy Barrington Lilly, Mayor

By: Jamilah C. McDonald
Jamilah McDonald, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby certify, as the duly appointed Town Clerk of the Town of Forest Heights, Maryland, that on the 2 day of January 2024 with 7 Aye votes and 0 Nay (2/3rds supermajority) votes the aforesaid Resolution 01-24 passed.

Sherletta Hawkins, Clerk
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