

1 THE CITY OF CRANSTON

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3 **RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON**
4 **PROPOSING AMENDMENT TO SECTION 2.03 OF THE CRANSTON HOME RULE**
5 **CHARTER AND DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO PLACE ON THE BALLOT**
6 **THE FOLLOWING QUESTION AS A REFERENDUM QUESTION**
7 **(WARD REDISTRICTING)**
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9 No.

10 *Passed:*

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12 Christopher G. Paplauskas, Council President

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14 *It is Ordained by the City of Cranston City Council as follows:*

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16 **SECTION 1.** That section 2.03 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Cranston be amended related to
17 Elective Officers - Mayor and Council.

18 **Sec. 2.03 Elective officers—Mayor and council.**

19 All wards shall contain as nearly as possible an equal number of inhabitants as determined by the most
20 recent federal decennial census, minus any non-resident incarcerated populations, and shall request that
21 such a plan be enacted into law.
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23 **SECTION 2.** Ballot Summary Question:

24 Shall an amendment to Section 2.03 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Cranston, to exclude from the
25 redistricting process the count of non-Cranston resident incarcerated persons at the correctional facilities
26 located in Cranston, be approved?
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28 **SECTION 3.** That the City Clerk and the Cranston Board of Canvassers forward certified copies of the
29 resolution to the Secretary of State, with a notice that the above question be placed on the ballot at the
30 November 8, 2022 general election, pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 8 of Article XIII of the Constitution
31 of the State of Rhode Island.
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33 **SECTION 4.** That the City Clerk cause the proposed amendments to be advertised four times during the
34 thirty days prior to the date of the election, and that sufficient copies of the proposed amendment be made
35 available in the city clerk's office for all persons desiring a copy thereof.
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37 **SECTION 5.** Subject to the approval of these proposed amendments by the electors of the City of Cranston
38 at the aforesaid election, the Cranston City Council does hereby memorialize the General Assembly to act
39 favorably on the validation of the above amendment to the Cranston Home Rule Charter.
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41 Sponsored by Councilman Donegan

42 Co-sponsored by Councilwomen Marino, Germain and Vargas

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44 Referred to Ordinance Committee May 12, 2022