CHARTER ORDINANCE NO. 18

A CHARTER ORDINANCE EXEMPTING THE CITY OF WESTWOOD, KANSAS, FROM THE PROVISIONS OF L. 2015, CHAPTER 88, SECTION 71, RELATING TO THE FILLING OF GOVERNING BODY VACANCIES.

WHEREAS, the City of Westwood has previously established procedures for the filling of governing body vacancies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Westwood desires to exempt itself from the provisions of L. 2015, Chapter 88, Section 71, relating to the filling of governing body vacancies.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WESTWOOD, **KANSAS:**

Section 1. The City of Westwood, Kansas, by virtue of the power vested in it by Article 12, Section 5 of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, hereby elects and does exempt itself and make inapplicable to it L. 2015, Chapter 88, Section 71, relating to the filling of governing body vacancies, which enactment applies to this city, but does not apply uniformly to all cities.

Section 2. The City of Westwood, Kansas shall continue to follow previously enacted Charter Ordinances and the provisions of the Code of the City of Westwood, Kansas, in particular Chapter 1, Article 2, 1-209, relating to the filling of vacancies of the Governing Body.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be published once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks in the official city newspaper.

Section 4. This Charter Ordinance shall take effect 61 days after the final publication unless a sufficient petition for a referendum is filed, requiring a referendum to be held on the ordinance as provided by Article 12, Section 5, Subsection (c)(3) of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, in which case this Charter Ordinance shall become effective upon approval by the majority of the electors voting thereon.

Passed by the Governing Body, not less than two-thirds of the members elect voting in favor thereof, this 12th day of November, 2015.

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Attest:

Frederick L. Sherman, City Clerk

Approved as to form and legality:

Ryan Denk, City Attorney