

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. 003-2020,
APPOINTING LAWRENCE JAY BRAUNSTEIN, ESQ. AS
COUNSEL TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, on March 10th, Presiding Officer Calarco established a Special Committee comprised of himself, Deputy Presiding Officer Hahn and Minority Leader Cilmi to investigate the circumstances surrounding the death of Thomas Valva; and

WHEREAS, the Special Committee is tasked with conducting an independent fact-finding investigation on this tragedy and the County's interactions with the Zubko-Valva, Valva and Pollina families, as well as developing recommendations which will safeguard against such a tragedy occurring again in Suffolk County; and

WHEREAS, Procedural Resolution No. 8-2020, approved by the Legislature on March 17, 2020, authorized the retention of special counsel for the purposes of assisting the Special Committee in conducting its investigation; and

WHEREAS, the Special Committee has reviewed applications for the position of special counsel and have selected Lawrence Jay Braunstein, Esq. of the firm Braunstein & Zuckerman, Esqs., to advise the Special Committee; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that Lawrence Jay Braunstein, Esq. is hereby appointed as Special Counsel to the Legislature's Special Committee to investigate the circumstances surrounding the death of Thomas Valva.

DATED:

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY PURSUANT TO SECTION C2-15(A) OF THE SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER

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