## ORDINANCE NO. 306

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 9-2 OF CHAPTER 9 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF HAVANA PERTAINING TO REGULAR AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS; CHANGING THE DATE OF TOWN'S REGULAR ELECTIONS FROM THE FIRST TUESDAY FOLLOWING THE SECOND MONDAY IN NOVEMBER TO THE LAST TUESDAY IN APRIL OF EACH CALENDAR YEAR; ALSO AMENDING SECTION 9-4 OF SAID CHAPTER 9 PERTAINING TO THE TIME FOR QUALIFYING AS A CANDIDATE BY REQUIRING AN APPLICATION TO BE FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK NOT MORE THAN FORTY-THREE (43) DAYS PRIOR TO THE ELECTION NOR LATER THAN NOON THIRTY-NINE (39) DAYS PRIOR TO THE ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAVANA:

SECTION 1. That Section 9-2 of Chapter 9 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Havana pertaining to regular and special elections is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 9-2. Regular and special elections.

Regular town elections shall be held annually on the last Tuesday in April, except as otherwise provided in this chapter. Any matter which by the terms of this chapter may be submitted to the electors of the town at any special election may be submitted and voted upon at a regular town election. If the date of any such election should fall on a legal holiday as designated in Section 683.01, Florida Statutes, then such election shall be held on the following day. In that event, the time for qualifying as a candidate pursuant to Section 9-4 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Havana shall be adjusted accordingly."

SECTION 2. That Section 9-4 of Chapter 9 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Havana pertaining to time for qualifying as a candidate is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 9-4. Time for qualifying as candidate.

Any person who is a resident and elector of the Town and who is qualified pursuant to the Charter may become a candidate for the Town Council by filing an application with the Town Clerk not more than Forty-Three (43) days prior to the election nor later than noon Thirty-Nine (39) days prior to the election." SECTION 3. It is the intention of the Town and it is hereby provided that the provisions of this ordinance shall be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Havana, Florida; that the sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention; and that the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section", "article", or other appropriate designation.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

INTRODUCED in open session of the Town Council of the Town of Havana, Florida, on the <u>28th</u> day of <u>May</u>, A.D. 2002.

PASSED in open session of the Town Council of the Town of Havana, Florida, on the 25th day of \_\_\_\_\_, A.D. 2002.

Presidung Officer of the Town Council of the Town of Havana, Florida

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Town of Havana and Clerk of the Town Council thereof