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Board Matter

March 7, 2023

I move to approve, without objection, the proclamation requests listed in this document, to be presented inside or outside of the Board room as appropriate:

- A resolution to recognize Edu-Futuro's 25th Anniversary.
- A proclamation to recognize Juneteenth.



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Joint Board Matter

Chairman Jeffrey C. McKay

Supervisor Dan Storck

March 7, 2023

Fairfax County Design & Environment Achievement Awards 2022

I am pleased to announce that Fairfax County's *Environmental Excellence Awards*, *Exceptional Design Awards, and Friends of Trees Awards* will be presented at a special evening ceremony at the Fairfax County Government Center on Tuesday, March 28, 2023 from 5:30-7:30pm, with a reception to follow in the Forum. The Awards Ceremony will be televised, livestreamed, and archived by Fairfax County's Channel 16.

In the past, we have presented these awards during morning presentations at Board Meetings. A special evening event is planned to draw greater attention to the awards, better honor our recipients, and accommodate the attendance of family members, friends, and coworkers. Walter Hamilton, III from Land Development Services has graciously agreed to serve as our emcee.

The date of this ceremony is scheduled on a Board Committee Meeting Day. All Board Members are invited to remain for this event to help celebrate our community's accomplishments in environmentalism, sustainability, and creative building and site designs. We all will have the opportunity to say a few words and take official photos with the award winners. A special invitation to all Board Members will be sent to your offices.

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Joint Board Matter Mason District Supervisor Penny Gross and Chairman Jeff McKay

2023 Justice Girls Swim Team State Champs

Mister Chairman, the Justice High School Girls Swim Team competed in the VHSL 2023 Virginia High School Class 6A State Championships, held on February 18, 2023, in Hampton, VA. While the team finished 5th overall, Justice swimmers won the 200 Yard Medley Relay and the 200 Yard Individual Medley.

I ask, without objection, that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors congratulate these athletes for their achievements and direct staff to prepare proclamations, signed by Chairman McKay and me. I further ask that these athletes, their families, coaching staff, and other appropriate FCPS personnel be invited to appear before the Board of Supervisors on April 11, 2023.

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Joint Board Matter Supervisor Penny Gross, Chairman McKay, and Supervisor John Foust

2022-2023 Scholastic Bowl Championships

Mister Chairman, the Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology won the VHSL 2023 Scholastic Bowl, held on February 25, 2023, at Jamestown High School, in Williamsburg, VA. The close runner-up was McLean High School.

I ask, without objection, that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors congratulate teams from both schools and direct staff to prepare proclamations for presentation to these competitors, their families, and coaching staff at the Board of Supervisors meeting on April 11, 2023.



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BOARD MATTER Supervisor John Foust March 7, 2023

Compensation for Chairman and Board Members

Mr. Chairman, as this Board is aware, the compensation for the Board of Supervisors has not changed since 2015, eight years ago. Per Virginia Code, the current Board cannot increase its own salary. The Board can only adjust its compensation in an election year and following a public hearing, and the change can only be applied to the next Board. Therefore, if the Board wishes to consider changing the salaries for the newly elected Board to be seated on January 1, 2024, then the current Board must hold a public hearing and vote on the matter before April 15, 2023.

County staff has compared the salaries of our Board of Supervisors to those of the governing bodies of surrounding large jurisdictions. Staff also reviewed the pay increases County employees have received since 2015, plus projected compensation increases for the next two years using a 2% MRA and an average merit increase of 2.25% for 2024-2026. The charts attached to this Board Matter show the results of these comparisons. Board members are not eligible for these county employee compensation increases. Board members also do not accrue annual or sick leave. As a result of their analysis, staff has recommended that pay for Board Members be increased up to \$140,000 annually, which is consistent both with surrounding large jurisdictions as well as what Board members' compensation would be if they had received the same pay increase County staff received since 2015.

For the Chairman's compensation, staff found that surrounding jurisdictions pay their chairmen an average of 15% more than board members. However, there is significant variation across jurisdictions, from 5% to 36%. Currently, the variation for our Chairman is just 5%. If Fairfax were to institute a 15% differential, and adopt \$140,000 annual compensation for Board members, the Chairman's compensation would be \$161,000.

It is important to consider the evolving nature and increasing demands of the jobs of Board members and Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. In addition to Countybased work, the job of a Supervisor or Chairman requires participation in a growing number of regional bodies in which most Board Members participate but are not compensated. Our constituents rightly expect us to always be available to them in this electronic era, which makes the time committed to this job more involved and complex than ever. Every Supervisor and the Chairman maintains full office hours throughout the year, and the Board meets most Tuesdays, either for Board Meetings or Committee Meetings. It is not a part-time governing body.

A reasonable compensation increase recognizes the growing responsibilities and expectations of this job and will help Fairfax County attract Board members who are able to meet those demands, reflect the age, gender, and racial diversity of our County, and who do not need to rely on outside employment or personal wealth to do so. Compensation should not be a barrier to run for, or serve in, public office.

Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I move that the Board of Supervisors authorize a Public Hearing to be held at 4:30 p.m. on March 21, 2023, to consider the Board's compensation as described per the requirements of VA. Code § 15.2-846. The advertisement should include a pay range of \$125,000 to \$130,000 for Board Members and \$140,000 to \$145,000 for the Chairman, both of which include a range that is lower than staff's recommendations.

I further move that staff develop a mechanism for any Board member who disagrees with this compensation adjustment to return any additional compensation they receive to the County.

I further move that staff develop a process to provide compensation comparisons every four years to future Boards, so that those Boards may have the opportunity to consider this action every four years rather than every eight years as has been prior practice.

Attachments: Chart 1: BOS Market Data

Chart 2: BOS Salary Projections – with MRA & Merit Increase Chart 3: Lost Wages Chart 4: Chairman / Member Differential

Board/Council Chair				Data updated:	1/30/2023
JURISDICTION	FT or PT	# of Emp	Overall	PT only	FT only
Alexandria	PT	1	41,500	41,500	
Arlington	PT	1	83,413	83,413	
District of Columbia	FT	1	209,999		209,999
Loudoun	PT	1	86,064	86,064	
Montgomery	FT	1	161,027		161,027
Prince George's	FT	1	140,495		140,495
Prince William	PT	1	49,452	49,452	
Market Average			110,279	65,107	170,507
Fairfax	PT	1	100,000	100,000	100,000
Fairfax as % of Market			91%	154%	59%

Chart 1: BOS Market Data – updated January 30, 2023

Board/Council Member

JURISDICTION	FT or PT	# of Emp	Overall	PT only	FT only
Alexandria	PT	6	37,500	37,500	
Arlington	PT	4	77,648	77,648	
District of Columbia	FT	12	154,437		154,437
Loudoun	PT	8	70,916	70,916	
Montgomery	FT	8	146,388		146,388
Prince George's	FT	11	133,805		133,805
Prince William	PT	7	43,422	43,422	
Market Average			94,874	57,372	144,877
Fairfax	PT	9	95,000	95,000	95,000
Fairfax as % of Market			100%	166%	66%

Chart 2 breaks out increases with just MRA (market rate adjustment), and increases with MRA and merit increases which is what every other employee received in that time period on average. To prevent stagnation of salaries over the next four-year period, we have projected increases out two years in support of a market prevalent lead/lag philosophy using an MRA of 2%, and an average merit increase of 2.25% for calendar years 2024 – 2026. This calculates to approximately \$140,000 for Board Members. This chart does not include a set differential of for the Chairman position, but does apply the same methodology to that position.

Chart 2: BOS Salary Projections - with MRA & Merit Increase

Projected salary for BOS Chairman (with MRA)

*Election years in yellow					Salary as if			
FY	MRA Calculated	MRA Implemented				with MRA Calculated		vith MRA
2015	1.29%	2.29%	\$	75,000				
2016	1.68%	1.10%	\$	100,000	\$	101,680	\$	101,100
2017	1.33%	1.33%	\$	100,000	\$	103,032	S	102,445
2018	1.65%	0.00%	S	100,000	\$	104,732	\$	102,445
2019	2.25%	2.25%	S	100,000	\$	107,089	S	104,750
2020	2.51%	2.10%	\$	100,000	\$	109,777	\$	106,949
2021	2.06%	0.00%	\$	100,000	\$	112,038	\$	106,949
2022	2.09%	1.00%	\$	100,000	S	114,380	\$	108,019
2023	4.01%	4.01%	5	100,000	\$	118,966	\$	112,350
2024	5.44%	2.00%			\$	125,438	\$	114,597
2025 1)	2.00%	2.00%			\$	127,947	5	116,889
2026 ¹⁾	2.00%	2.00%			\$	130,506	\$	119,227
Increase %	over \$100,000	1						19%

Avera	With Overall ²⁾ Merit Increase %					
Public Safety	General Employees	Overall	with MRA Calculated			with MRA plemented
2.25%	0.00%	1.13%				
2.25%	2.50%	2.38%	\$	104,095	\$	103,501
2.25%	2.00%	2.13%	\$	107,721	\$	107,106
2.25%	2.00%	2.13%	\$	111,825	\$	109,382
2.25%	2.00%	2.13%	\$	116,771	\$	114,220
2.25%	2.00%	2.13%	\$	122,245	\$	119,097
0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	S	124,764	\$	119,097
0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	\$	127,371	\$	120,288
5.30%	2.15%	3.73%	S	137,414	\$	129,772
		2.25%	\$	148,149	\$	135,346
		2.25%	\$	154,512	\$	141,159
		2.25%	\$	161,148	\$	147,221
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Projected salary for BOS Members (with MRA)

*Election ye	Election years in yellow					Salary as if			
FY	MRA Calculated	MRA Implemented		S Member Salary	1.0.1	with MRA alculated	1.00	vith MRA plemented	
2015	1.29%	2.29%	S	75,000					
2016	1.68%	1.10%	S	95,000	\$	96,596	S	96,045	
2017	1.33%	1.33%	\$	95,000	\$	97,881	\$	97,322	
2018	1.65%	0.00%	\$	95,000	\$	99,496	\$	97,322	
2019	2.25%	2.25%	S	95,000	\$	101,734	\$	99,512	
2020	2.51%	2.10%	\$	95,000	\$	104,288	S	101,602	
2021	2.06%	0.00%	s	95,000	\$	106,436	\$	101,602	
2022	2.09%	1.00%	\$	95,000	\$	108,661	S	102,618	
2023	4.01%	4.01%	S	95,000	S	113,018	\$	106,733	
2024	5.44%	2.00%			\$	119,166	\$	108,868	
2025 ¹⁾	2.00%	2.00%			\$	121,550	\$	111,045	
2026 ¹⁾	2.00%	2.00%			\$	123,981	\$	113,266	
Increase %	over \$95,000							19%	

Projected salary for BOS Members (with MRA, and Merit Increase)

Avera	With Overall 2) Merit Increase %					
Public Safety	General Employees	Overall	Overall with MRA Calculated			vith MRA plemented
2.25%	0.00%	1.13%				
2.25%	2.50%	2.38%	S	98,890	\$	98,326
2.25%	2.00%	2.13%	\$	102,335	\$	101,751
2.25%	2.00%	2.13%	\$	106,234	\$	103,913
2.25%	2.00%	2.13%	5	110,932	\$	108,509
2.25%	2.00%	2.13%	S	116,133	\$	113,142
0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	\$	118,526	S	113,142
0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	\$	121,003	\$	114,273
5.30%	2.15%	3.73%	S	130,543	S	123,283
		2.25%	\$	140,742	\$	128,578
•		2.25%	\$	146,786	\$	134,101
		2.25%	\$	153,091	\$	139,860
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Projected MRA of 2% and Merit Increase of 2.25% is used for FY2025 and FY2026 projection
 Average Merit Increase for General Employees and averrage Merit Increase for Public Safety emloyees are blended to derive Overall Merit Increase %

Projected salary for BOS Chairman (with MRA, and Merit Increase)

Chart 3: Lost Wages

Projected salary for BOS Chairman (with MRA)

*Election ye	Election years in yellow			Salary as if					
FY	BOS Chairman Salary		1.18	with MRA Calculated		vith MRA plemented			
2015	\$	75,000							
2016	\$	100,000	\$	101,680	\$	101,100			
2017	\$	100,000	\$	103,032	\$	102,445			
2018	\$	100,000	\$	104,732	\$	102,445			
2019	\$	100,000	S	107,089	\$	104,750			
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2021	\$	100,000	\$	112,038	\$	106,949			
2022	\$	100,000	\$	114,380	\$	108,019			
2023	\$	100,000	S	118,966	\$	112,350			
2024 ¹⁾			\$	125,438	\$	118,462			

	Lost Wages								
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	\$	1,680	\$	1,100					
	\$	3,032	\$	2,445					
	\$	4,732	\$	2,445					
	\$	7,089	\$	4,750					
	\$	9,777	\$	6,949					
	\$	12,038	\$	6,949					
	\$	14,380	\$	8,019					
	\$	18,966	\$	12,350					
TTL	\$	71,695	\$	45,007					

Projected salary for BOS Members

*Election years in yellow			Salary as if					
FY	BOS Member Salary		with MRA Calculated		with MRA Implemented			
2015	\$	75,000						
2016	\$	95,000	S	96,596	\$	96,045		
2017	\$	95,000	\$	97,881	\$	97,322		
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	\$	11,436	\$	6,602					
	\$	13,661	\$	7,618					
	\$	18,018	\$	11,733					
TTL	\$	68,110	\$	42,757					

Jurisdiction	Chairman	Member	Differential
Alexandria	\$41,500	\$37,500	11%
Arlington	\$83,413	\$77,648	7%
District of Columbia	\$209,999	\$154,437	36%
Loudoun	\$86,064	\$70,916	21%
Montgomery	\$161,027	\$146,388	10%
Prince George's	\$140,495	\$133,805	5%
Prince William	\$49,452	\$43,422	14%
Average			15%
Fairfax	\$100,000	\$95,000	5%

Chart 4: Chairman / Member Differential

County of Fairfax, Virginia



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Joint Board Matter Hunter Mill District Supervisor Walter Alcorn With Chairman Jeffrey McKay March 7, 2023

Review of Reston Town Center North Redevelopment and Procurement Opportunities

Background:

As the Board is aware, a community task force led by former Chairman Kate Hanley has begun meeting and is gathering information to make recommendations for community facilities on county property in Reston Town Center North (RTCN). As a reminder, RTCN is owned primarily by the county and INOVA, and a land swap has been long planned between the county and INOVA consistent with a site design approved and updated in 2021 by the Reston Association Design Review Board. There is a pressing need for new and updated public facilities and affordable housing, including a new regional library and emergency shelter for our homeless population, as those facilities are at or near the end of their functional life.

On the edge of RTCN is property owned by the county's Redevelopment and Housing Authority, on which 30 RHA-owned townhomes were constructed in 1985. The RHA property, along with a portion of the parking lot of the North County Governmental Center, was the subject of an unsolicited proposal from Foulger-Pratt under the Public Private Educational Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002, or PPEA. The Foulger-Pratt proposal would have delivered up to 350 new affordable homes and a new Reston Regional Library. It should be noted that this Board, on my motion April 12, 2022, directed staff to initiate steps to formally authorize and schedule a public hearing to consider conveyance of approximately 1.6-acres of the Reston District Police Station site located at Tax Map Parcel 0171-01-0014B to the FCRHA. The purpose of the transfer is for the development of affordable housing with appropriate replacement of secure parking spaces dedicated to police use.

Although Foulger-Pratt withdrew their unsolicited proposal, it is critically important to keep the momentum going for the redevelopment of this vital part of Reston and the delivery of long-promised public facilities and affordable housing.

Motion:

Therefore, Mr. Chairman I move that the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (Capital Facilities) is directed to develop a strategy for the County's Health and Human Services public facilities in RTCN, both existing or planned, that will best serve the Reston

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Community for future needs. This strategy should be coordinated with the appropriate Deputy County Executives, along with the Chief Financial Officer, to be presented to the RTCN task force for discussion and feedback. I further move that the Board request that the FCRHA develop a procurement strategy for the redevelopment of the property that had previously been the subject of a PPEA process, to deliver new affordable housing and, if feasible and with input from the RTCN task force, a public facility which serves both the residents of the new housing and the surrounding community.

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Recognizing March as Alternative Dispute Resolution Month

Supervisor Dan Storck March 7, 2023

Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) refers to several processes, tools and techniques used to manage and resolve conflict. ADR is an alternative to traditional adversarial processes and helps disputing parties reach mutually agreeable outcomes that consider the needs of all involved and minimize cost, while improving communication and morale. Alternative Dispute Resolution services have been especially relevant throughout the pandemic in helping employees navigate high levels of stress, communicate effectively and build team relationships.

Fairfax County historically celebrates March as ADR month, and each year chooses a leader in this field to receive recognition. This year the ADR Office would like to recognize the Alternative Accountability Program (AAP). The AAP serves as one strategy to address disproportionate minority youth representation in criminal justice proceedings. AAP is the result of many years of collaboration and dedication to provide alternatives to the traditional justice system. The program is a collaborative effort between the Fairfax County Police Department, Fairfax County Public Schools, Fairfax County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, Fairfax County Neighborhood and Community Services and NVMS Conflict Resolution Center.

Therefore, Mr. Chairman, without objection, I ask that we recognize March as Alternative Dispute Resolution Month in Fairfax County; and that a proclamation be signed by the Chairman and myself to be presented to the AAP agency outside the Board Room.



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Supervisor Dan Storck Jointly with Chairman Jeff McKay and Supervisor Rodney Lusk

Request for BOS to send History Commission Letter on Potential Re-Naming of Fort Belvoir to the Secretary of the Army

March 7, 2023

In May 2021, the National Defense Authorization Act considered military bases across the country for potential renaming. Fort Belvoir was added to the list of bases.

Subsequently, Supervisor Lusk, Chairman McKay, my office, Senator Surovell, and representatives of the Fairfax County History commission were invited to participate in a Fort Belvoir Renaming Stakeholders information meeting with the Army's Naming Commission in September 2021 to learn additional context around Fort Belvoir history and alternatives to renaming.

On March 2, 2022, the Fairfax County History Commission, unsure that primary source evidence on Belvoir's 1935 name change would be included in the Naming Commission's Report, voted to produce a supplementary report for the BoS and the Naming Commission.

Two weeks later, The Naming Commission determined that Fort Belvoir does not meet the criteria provided in the 2021 National Defense Authorization Act for a renaming recommendation. The report recommended that the Army conduct their own investigations into the renaming. As a result, the Fairfax County History Commission paused efforts to produce a report.

The final Naming Commission report was then released in September 2022. The Naming Commission strongly encouraged the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the Army to review these historical facts and consider renaming Fort Belvoir based on existing protocols for the naming/renaming of installations and facilities.

According to the History Commission members who researched the history of the Fort Belvoir name, the findings regarding Fort Belvoir are limited with specific inaccuracies and omissions.

In addition, based on their letter sent to Chairman McKay and I on February 4, 2023, the Fairfax County History Commission believes that The Naming Commission's report does not reflect a full and accurate picture of the events that led to Belvoir's renaming. The presentation given at the February 1st History Commission meeting brings attention to two key inaccuracies:

- The Naming Commission report cites Andrew A Humphreys as the original namesake for the base. Based on the History Commission's research, the original name was actually Camp Belvoir from 1912 to 1917. It was only referred to as Camp Humphreys at the request of Colonel Parks, the commandant of the camp at that time.
- The Naming Commission report also argues that the name was changed back to Fort Belvoir in 1935 at the request of Virginia Congressman Howard Smith, a known segregationist. However, there is record of a letter to President Franklin Roosevelt that shows Congressman Smith only requested the name change on behalf of General Markham, the Chief of Engineers at that time.
- Furthermore, local research into the 1935 name change from Camp Humphreys to Fort Belvoir uncovers complex interactions with ties to road building, tourism, military planning, and historic preservation.

In their argument against the renaming, the History Commission also points out a key statement from the National Trust for Historic Preservation on the difference between symbolic monuments and historic sites:

"We differentiate symbolic monuments from historic sites that have developed over time, some of them places built by African Americans held in bondage. These historic sites today must serve as critical places to explore the legacies of slavery and discrimination, and as sites of conscience where the honest exploration of our shared history and reconciliation can occur." We fully support the recommendation made by the History Commission on the potential renaming. Any action taken by the Army to rename Fort Belvoir should be transparent, based on evidence and include the local community and stakeholders. Also, removing the name Belvoir may reduce the likelihood that these stories of the enslaved African Americans and the free black residents who lived on base will be told.

In addition, based on the findings from the History Commission's Confederate Names Inventory Report, Fort Belvoir has 4 streets named for Confederate Generals that are in need of renaming: Beauregard, Stuart, Johnston and Lee. These streets are all located on the North part of the post within a collection of streets named for U.S. Army Engineers from the Revolutionary war to the Twentieth Century.

Additionally, as part of the National Defense Authorization Act considering renaming of bases, it is our understanding there is a desire from Fort Belvoir Leadership to work with the History Commission and local historians to be consulted on renaming these streets. Any new proposed names should abide to the following criterion: 1) use names of prominent families in the historic African American community of Woodlawn. 2) use names of African American war heroes that were removed when the segregated housing area called Young's Village was demolished in the mid to late 60s.

Therefore, I move that the Board of Supervisors direct the Fairfax County History Commission to send their February 4, 2023 letter to the Secretary of the Army and the Naming Commission historian voicing their concerns on the potential renaming of Fort Belvoir, and ask in a letter that the Secretary of the Army address the following questions:

• What are the criteria for deciding whether to rename Belvoir? The Naming Commission concluded "that renaming Fort Belvoir falls outside the legislative language provided in the FY21 NDAA for making a recommendation to rename the base." Is there another policy or mechanism for changing the name, and will it be applied <u>consistently</u> across assets?

- The History Commission, has stated "We respect the effort undertaken by the Naming Commission historians but do not believe the interpretation of history presented in the Naming Commission report is a full and impartial weighing of historical evidence." Will there be a fact checking of the Naming Commission report or reevaluation of the evidence and if so, will it be transparent to the community?
- Does the Army plan to seek input from descendants of African American enslaved people in the community or any others?

I further move that the Board of Supervisors direct the History Commission to designate a small subcommittee to support any efforts by Fort Belvoir in renaming 4 streets on Fort Belvoir, currently named for Confederate Generals: Beauregard, Stuart, Johnston, and Lee. These efforts should be done in consultation with any descendants of the community of Woodlawn Village to consult on the renaming.



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Jeffrey C. McKay, Chairman, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 530 February 4, 2023

Dan Storck, Mt. Vernon District Supervisor, Mt. Vernon Governmental Center 2511 Parkers Lane, Mt. Vernon, VA 22306

Subject: Recommendations Regarding the Fort Belvoir Name

Dear Chairman McKay and Supervisor Stork,

The History Commission has been asked by Supervisor Storck to advise the Board of Supervisors regarding the potential renaming of Fort Belvoir. At this time the United States Department of Defense criteria for renaming locations remains somewhat undefined. The Commission does recommend, however, that a full and accurate analysis of research into the history of Fort Belvoir be conducted and the public be transparently engaged before a decision is made concerning any renaming of the post.

Fort Belvoir is both a historic site and a monument: its name as a military facility memorializes its historic past, while also identifying a military facility important to Fairfax county in the modern era. It is a military base and a place important to Fairfax County both historically and in the modern era. It is, in fact, the largest employer in Fairfax County. There is an inherent tension between the dual identities of Fort Belvoir that add to the complexity of evaluating its name. As a Commission we recognize that there are multiple points of view about its naming, but we unanimously agree that, as a site of enslavement, it is critically important that Fort Belvoir be more than a name. It is a site of conscience that demands a full and accurate telling of its history. A motion to this effect was unanimously passed at the monthly Fairfax County History Commission meeting on Wednesday, February 1, 2023 that reads:

"...that the Commission write a letter to the Board of Supervisors taking the position that a full and accurate analysis of research into the history of Fort Belvoir be conducted before a decision is made concerning renaming the Post."

On September 9, 2017 the Fairfax County History Commission also voted unanimously to acknowledge the National Trust for Historic Preservation's position: *"We differentiate symbolic monuments from historic sites that have developed over time, some of them places built by African Americans held in bondage. These historic sites today must serve as critical places to explore the legacies of slavery and discrimination, and as sites of conscience where the honest exploration of our shared history and reconciliation can occur."* And , specifically noted is this statement, *"We should always remember the past, but we do not necessarily need to revere it."* <u>https://savingplaces.org/press-center/media-resources/national-trust-statement-on-confederate-memorials-2017</u>

In a spirited discussion around the motion stated at the February 1st meeting, we touched upon a variety of topics and of utmost importance was information gleaned through our work on our recently revealed African American History Inventory (AAHI). This work identified four significant sites on the property where Fort Belvoir now sits, (1) The Belvoir Ruins–site of the Fairfax Manor house where at least 15 African Americans were enslaved (circa 1741-1783, (2) The Free Black community of Woodlawn (circa 1860-1941), (3) The Colored Civilian Conservation Corps Camp (circa 1935-1939) and (4) The site of Youngs Village, a racially segregated housing for African American Army personnel and their families (circa 1940- 1963). We believe these stories should be told.

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And we also believe seeking insight from descendants of African American enslaved people from the Belvoir plantation, as well as surrounding communities to include the African American Community of Woodlawn, the League of Descendants of the Enslaved at Mount Vernon and members of present day Gum Springs is imperative.

In bringing this issue before you, we worked collegially with the Commission on the Naming of Items of the United States Department of Defense that Commemorate the Confederate States of America or Any Person Who Served Voluntarily with the Confederate States of America (hereafter the Naming Commission) from September 2021 until the issuance of their Final Report in September 2022. Concurrent with the Naming Commission, we conducted in-depth research on the history of Fort Belvoir and the 1935 name change; we would be pleased to provide our research findings to the Board of Supervisors and the United States Department of Defense. We respect the effort undertaken by the Naming Commission historians but do not believe the interpretation of history presented in the Naming Commission report is a full and impartial weighing of historical evidence.

As members of the Fairfax County History Commission and authors of the Confederate Names Inventory, we take seriously our responsibility to provide the Board of Supervisors and other decision makers information that is as accurate and objective as possible. In assembling the Confederate Names Inventory we had a clear goal to identify the names of roads and other places named for Confederates. The Naming Commission had a similar objective regarding United States military place names. It concluded that the Fort Belvoir name did not fall within the scope of its remit ("that renaming Fort Belvoir falls outside the legislative language provided in the FY21 NDAA for making a recommendation to rename the base"). The question then is, "What are the criteria for deciding whether to rename non-Confederate places such as Fort Belvoir?"

In summary, we suggest not only that additional research be done, but respectfully request that the United States Department of Defense clearly articulate any criteria for changing the Fort Belvoir name. Then with all suggested research complete and validated, we together will have been contributors to a history that allows us to *"…always remember the past, but [a past] we do not necessarily need to revere."*

Thank you for your time, attention and support of this important and vital discussion for the future of the County of Fairfax in Virginia.

All good things,

Lynne Garvey-Hodge Chairperson, Fairfax County History Commission and Commission Members

cc: Fairfax County History Commission



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March 7, 2023 Joint Board Matter with Supervisor Lusk Request to Designate April 2023 as Child Abuse Prevention Month

Members of the Board,

April is a time to recognize the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse. The pandemic increased stressors on families, thereby increased risk factors for child maltreatment. Nearly 3.1 million children were involved with Child Protective Services across the country in 2020. In 2022, nearly 53,000 children in the Commonwealth of Virginia and nearly 3,600 children in Fairfax County were reported as possible victims of abuse or neglect. Additionally, Fairfax County's Child Protective Services' 24-hour hotline received approximately 13,300 calls in 2022 for protective services and information about prevention and family support services.

Child abuse prevention is a community responsibility and finding solutions depends on involvement among all people. The lives of our children can be positively changed and saved by active and aware community members making a critically important decision to ask more questions and offer help. Adverse childhood experiences result in long-term health impacts. Fortunately, the trauma of child abuse and neglect is preventable.

Every child deserves to grow up in a safe, nurturing, and stable environment. Fairfax County is dedicated to the safety of children and providing the appropriate supports to parents to keep families healthy.

Without objection, we move that the Board designate April 2023 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Fairfax County and present a proclamation to the Fairfax County Department of Family Services at its meeting on March 21, 2023.



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March 7, 2023 Joint Board Matter with Chairman McKay and Supervisor Walkinshaw Fairfax Choral Society's 60th Anniversary

Members of the Board,

With a legacy stretching back to 1962, the Fairfax Choral Society (FCS), a non-profit public charity, enriches lives through the performance, education, and appreciation of choral art. With six ensembles and the opportunity to join skill-appropriate musicianship classes, FCS is one of the largest choral groups in Northern Virginia and the only organization providing opportunities to 230 choral singers from preschool through adult. Their vision is a world where choral music uplifts and inspires all people and unites communities.

The FCS Symphonic Chorus has received rave reviews for its performance of choral masterworks in collaboration with the Fairfax Symphony, Cathedral Choral Society, Choral Arts Society, National Symphony Orchestra, City of Fairfax Band, and other arts organizations in the region.

The FCS Vocal Arts Ensemble is an adult chorus that held its inaugural season in 2018-2019. Under the direction of Artistic Director Michael Ehrlich, this ensemble performs a variety of genres, including traditional choral literature, major works, American folk songs and spirituals, music of different cultures, vocal jazz, and Broadway. Along with bringing

choral music to the community, the ensemble embraces the true meaning of community by seeking diversity in its make up and in its repertoire.

The FCS Youth Choruses, under the direction of Patrick Vaughn, provide singers ages five to nineteen the opportunity to expand their vocal experience in an auditioned choral program. Singers participate in musicianship classes and performing ensembles at their campus in Annandale. The FCS Youth Choruses have sung for choral festivals, schools, and church concert series, with the National Symphony Orchestra and the American Youth Philharmonic, at Carnegie Hall, at the White House, and in collaboration with other youth choruses throughout the Washington area. Their repertoire includes classical, folk, and the finest contemporary compositions for treble and mixed voices. FCS was honored by the Arts Council of Fairfax County with the 2016 Arts Education Award for its outstanding music education program.

Their 60th Anniversary Gala will be held on Saturday, March 11th at 7:30 p.m. where their choirs, along with special guest The Children's Chorus of Washington, will present Dan Forrest's *Jubilate Deo*. They will be joined by internationally acclaimed Soprano Simone Paulwell.

Without objection, we move that a proclamation be prepared and presented to the Fairfax Choral Society at its Anniversary Gala on March 11 to honor and celebrate 60 years of enriching lives through the performance, education, and appreciation of choral art.



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March 7, 2023 Joint Board Matter with Chairman McKay and Supervisor Lusk My Brother's Keeper

Members of the Board,

Pursuant to Chairman McKay's Board Matter directing the Successful Children and Youth Policy Team (SCYPT) to pursue the possibility of the County becoming a "My Brother's Keeper (MBK)" community, the Board received an update and recommendation as part of its February 28, 2023 Health and Human Services Committee meeting. Specifically, the Board directive was for SCYPT to identify and engage community partners in shaping the participation and infrastructure necessary for building, improving, and scaling initiatives that serve and support improved life outcomes for boys and young men of color and to implement organizational determine the resource needs to and operational recommendations. Accordingly, SCYPT has worked with Venture Philanthropy Partners, the Capital Youth Empowerment Foundation, and Edu-Futuro to lead the preparations necessary to join the MBK Alliance.

President Obama launched MBK in February 2014 as a White House initiative to address the persistent opportunity gaps boys and young men of color face and to ensure all young people can reach their full potential. It is now an Obama Foundation program rooted in the belief that communities are the unit of change to realize improved life outcomes for our boys. MBK is aligned with the One Fairfax policy and is rooted in six key life milestones that research shows are especially predictive of later success, and where interventions can have the greatest impact. While MBK Fairfax will adopt all six, the initial focus in Fairfax County is the following milestones: graduating from high school college and career ready; completing postsecondary education or training; entering the workforce successfully; and keeping kids on track and re-engaging them when they need it.

In order for Fairfax County to become a certified MBK community, a formal Board vote to accept the challenge is required. Mr. Chairman, I, therefore, move that Fairfax County join the My Brother's Keeper Alliance and take the necessary steps of becoming a certified My Brother's Keeper Community and subsequently unleash the power of communities working together to solve problems for boys and youth men of color at a level to improve real-life outcomes. So moved.

Attachment 1



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Board Matter Chairman McKay

June 23, 2020

Launched by President Obama in 2014, the My Brother's Keeper Initiative currently partners with over 250 counties, cities, towns, and tribal nations to address opportunity gaps that exist for boys and young men of color. My Brother's Keeper Communities work across sectors to implement policies and action that, among other key principles, aim to improve literacy and college and career readiness for young men of color. The My Brother's Keeper Initiative also aims to address the disproportional amount of contact with law enforcement our youth of color experience while improving and promoting "second chances" for youth following contact with the criminal justice system.

I believe the mission and work of the My Brother's Keeper Initiative aligns with that of our One Fairfax priorities to consider equity in all areas of the County and work towards making Fairfax County a place where all can thrive. This equity lens must be applied towards the experiences of our youngest residents, as these experiences are crucial to determining their success later in life.

Therefore, I ask without objection that our Successful Children and Youth Policy Team (SCYPT) facilitate a partnership between Fairfax County and the My Brother's Keeper Alliance to make Fairfax County an official "My Brother's Keeper Community." SCYPT is directed to identify and engage community partners in shaping the participation and infrastructure necessary for building, improving, and scaling initiatives that serve and support improved life outcomes for boys and young men of color and to determine the resource needs to implement organizational and operational recommendations.

HOW TO BECOME A NEW MBK COMMUNITY

Step One: Accept the MBK Community Challenge

A mayor, county executive or tribal leader officially accepts the Challenge by appointing a designated point of contact to lead the MBK effort and pledging to build and execute a plan to accomplish as many of the goals listed below as possible:

- 1. Ensuring all children enter school cognitively, physically, socially and emotionally ready
- 2. Ensuring all children read at grade level by 3rd grade
- 3. Ensuring all youth graduate from high school
- 4. Ensuring all youth complete post-secondary education or training
- 5. Ensuring all youth out of school are employed
- 6. Ensuring all youth remain safe from violent crime

Step Two: Complete an Onboarding Process with the MBK Alliance Team

Designated point of contact registers for onboarding with MBK Alliance that provides practical advice and guidance on how to generate public commitment from elected officials, convene a collective impact table, scan the local policy landscape, and develop an impactful, measurable and resultsdriven local action plan.

Please reach out to Jared Brown at **jbrown@obama.org** for more information.

Once you complete the onboarding process, MBK Alliance will begin connecting you with other MBK Communities and sending you notifications to take part in technical assistance and convenings for MBK Communities working to address persistent opportunity gaps and ensuring all youth can achieve their full potential.

Step Three: Convene a Local Action Summit to Build an MBK Community

This effort will require a coalition of partners with an ownership stake in the strategy, and a sense of empowerment to help lead the effort. Within 180 days of accepting the challenge, host a Local Action Summit with key stakeholders to assess needs and assets, determine priorities, and set concrete goals.

Step Four: Conduct a Policy Review & Form Recommendations for Action

Following your Local Action Summit, direct a working group of pertinent government stakeholders to scour existing local policies, programs, and practices in search of ways to introduce or expand on existing efforts to better serve the needs of the community's youth. The working group should assess the impact of both existing and proposed programs. Within 180 days of hosting your Local Action Summit, this body should produce a report with recommendations for action on your selected areas of focus (from Step 1), standards for tracking and sharing data across public agencies and community partners, and structural recommendations for institutionalizing the effort until goals are reached.

Step Five: Launch a Plan of Action, Next Steps & Timeline for Review

Within 90 days of completing your policy review and report, convene key partners to publicly launch a plan of action for accomplishing selected goals based off the results of your policy review. It should include a protocol for tracking data, benchmarks and timelines for review to ensure the transparent assessment of progress towards goals, and the open examination and retooling of ineffective strategies. Include a blueprint for resourcing your efforts which outlines plans to use or redirect existing resources, new public or private sector commitments, and specific areas where additional commitments, investment, or partnership could help your community reach its MBK goals and help potential new partners target their involvement.



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March 7, 2023 Joint Board Matter with Supervisor Foust 20th Anniversary of the Traveling Players

Members of the Board,

The Traveling Players celebrates its 20th anniversary this year! The Traveling Players, founded by Jeanne E. Harrison on June 10, 2003, is an educational theatre company that brings unique theatre training to students. Their mission is to enhance self-expression, selfreliance, and problem-solving skills, and to heighten appreciation of challenges and beauty by bringing great theatre into the great outdoors. They foster this by providing an outstanding theatre experience for students which contributes to their maturity and cultivates a lifelong love of both theater and the outdoors.

Classes and camps offered by the Traveling Players provide a full continuum of actor training. The students create theatre in small ensembles, founded on the principles of inclusion, diversity, and equality which is reinforced by their robust financial aid program.

In 2020, the Traveling Players opened their studio in Tysons Corner Center in partnership with Macerich, offering family-friendly theater year-round. They perform plays for the community throughout the summer at the Tysons Corner Center Plaza. The National Endowment for the Arts selected Traveling Players as one of its 25 *"Summer Schools in*"

the Arts" based on the Players' comprehensive and intensive curricula, recommending that other institutions follow their educational model.

Therefore, we move, without objection, that the Board present a proclamation to the Traveling Players at a Board meeting in June to recognize its 20th anniversary and to thank them for enriching the lives of our youth and providing meaningful opportunities for self-expression and growth.



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March 7, 2023 Board Matter Modified Process for Capital One Block D

Members of the Board,

Capital One recently reached out to me regarding a time-sensitive matter. They have a pending site plan under review for the development of the Block D Metro Park that was recently approved via an FDP. To save several months of time, they have requested concurrent review of the Rough Grading Plan (RGP) and Site Plan. Although Land Development Services staff do not have any substantive concerns with the request, LDS has determined that a Board Action is necessary to facilitate concurrent processing of the Site Plan and Rough Grading Plan.

I move to approve Modified Processing request MP-2022-10-01 to allow the Rough Grading Plan to be processed concurrently with the review of pending Site Plan 6835-SP-0009 for Block D of the Capital One Headquarters Campus. This modified processing will facilitate the delivery of the Block D public park and a new entrance to the McLean Metro station significantly earlier than otherwise anticipated and will likewise provide efficiencies for related site and utility work for nearby projects at Capital One East with similar public benefits.



Supervisor Pat Herrity Board Matter March 7th, 2023 Clifton General Store 100th Anniversary Recognition

Background: Known as "the heart and hub of Clifton," the Clifton General Store celebrates its 100th anniversary of serving the Clifton community this July. The Clifton General Store sits next to the only at grade railroad crossing in Fairfax County and is in the historic Town of Clifton. In addition to being a popular location for locals, the store has earned accolades from Travel + Leisure as well as The Washington Post for being a must-visit spot in historic Northern Virginia. The Clifton General Store is known for its family-owned Irish pub, The Main Street Pub, amazing sandwiches, and for being a place where people know each other and help each other out. At all times of year, even in the midst of severe weather, the store has remained open to serve customers.

Motion: Therefore, Mister Chairman, I ask without objection that a resolution be prepared for the Clifton General Store recognizing it as a beloved staple of the Clifton community and a timeless attraction for tourists visiting the historic Town of Clifton. This resolution will be presented outside of the Board room at the Clifton General Store's 100th anniversary celebration in July.



Supervisor Pat Herrity Board Matter March 7th, 2023 Fentanyl Town Hall at Lake Braddock with School Board Member Laura Jane Cohen

Background: Heartbreaking stories of drug overdose, particularly of students, are increasingly prevalent throughout the country, Virginia, and here in Fairfax County. Back in 2016, I hosted an opioid town hall to raise awareness of the dangers of heroin and prescription drug abuse, discuss the steps being taken to address the crisis, and the practical steps that can be taken to reduce the growing epidemic by our citizens and their families. The County has a robust array of services and programs addressing this public health crisis.

Today, we are seeing a disturbing rise in the circulation of fentanyl, a very powerful, often fatal opioid. Fentanyl-laced drugs are being circulated in our community and most concerningly, in our schools. Even though many lives throughout our county have been saved through the administration of naloxone, our overdose data shows that we need to do more to protect our community.

In a joint effort to educate the community on the dangers of fentanyl, I will be hosting a town hall titled "Fentanyl Is in Our Neighborhoods and Schools, What You Need to Know and Do." The town hall will be hosted jointly with School Board Member Laura Jane Cohen at Lake Braddock Secondary School on March 28th at 7pm. The town hall will include a panel of County and FCPS experts who will share information about drugs and fentanyl in our schools and resources for help with addiction. In addition, the panel will include people with lived experience of opioid addiction. Attendance is welcome to all and a question-answer period will follow the panel. At the end of the

townhall, attendees will also have the opportunity to receive REVIVE training and a usable dose of lifesaving naloxone.

Motion: Therefore, Mister Chairman, I ask without objection that OPA publicize the "Fentanyl Is in Our Neighborhoods and Schools, What You Need to Know and Do" Town Hall.



Supervisor Pat Herrity Jointly with Supervisor Walkinshaw Board Matter March 7, 2023 West Springfield High School Success in First State All Girls' Wrestling Meet

Background: Mr. Chairman, in 2022, the Virginia High School League and their Executive Committee voted to designate girls wrestling as an "emerging sport" after pushes for the program were spearheaded by schools across the state. At the time, nearly half of 271 schools in Virginia had at least one female wrestler on what was considered a boy's wrestling team, and with these numbers growing, this was a proposal that was a long time coming. Last month, Virginia held its first official Girls' State Wrestling Meet in Manassas where multiple West Springfield wrestlers went to compete. For the first time in the school's history, three wrestlers made it to the 6A state semifinals.

On February 25th, West Springfield freshman, Elaina Primozic, became the first ever State Champion for the VHSL Girls' State Championships in the 156-pound class. She was the only D.C.-area wrestler to win a title. After delays from the pandemic and injuries from playing both softball and hockey, her competitive attitude and determination has officially cemented her in the record books.

Motion: Therefore, Mister Chairman, I ask without objection that we invite the West Springfield High School wrestlers to come before the Board to receive a resolution recognizing their historic success in the first Girls' State Wrestling Meet in Virginia with a separate resolution recognizing Elaina Primozic for her outstanding performance.



Supervisor Pat Herrity Board Matter March 7th, 2023 Improved Signage for I-66 Express Lanes Outside the Beltway

Background: This past November, the entire 22.5 mile section of Express Lanes on I-66 outside the Beltway opened a full month ahead of schedule, offering our residents new transportation choices - pay a toll for a faster trip, carpool for a faster free trip, ride mass transit with a guaranteed travel time, or ride in the regular lanes for free with a quicker commute due to the additional capacity from the toll lanes. VDOT and Megaprojects are to be commended for this impressive feat, considering the project's magnitude.

However, the signage used on these newly opened Express Lanes is not as clear as the signs on the I-495 and I-95 Express Lanes. The signage does not provide total toll cost information for the entire length, and it does not give clear information to drivers on locations of the exit ramps to the general purpose lanes (which is important for drivers deciding whether to commit to additional tolls). VDOT Megaprojects staff previously indicated they would be working on this issue, but the signs remain unchanged and my office continues to receive inquiries regarding this lack of information on the Express Lanes' signage.

Motion: Therefore, Mister Chairman, I ask that the Board direct staff to prepare a letter to be sent to VDOT leadership on behalf of the Board sharing these concerns and requesting that changes be made to the signs to provide clear information on upcoming exits, exits to the general purpose lanes, and all related tolls, so our citizens and travelers traveling this corridor can make informed decisions to use or not use the I-66 Express Lanes.



Supervisor Pat Herrity Joint Board Matter with Supervisor Walkinshaw March 7, 2023 Lake Braddock Secondary School Gymnastics State Champions

Background: Mr. Chairman, following a dominant run, the Lake Braddock Bruins Varsity Gymnastics team won their second straight Virginia Class 6 Championship in February. Under Coach Mike Cooper, who coached the team back in 1999 as well as last year's championship team, the Bruins secured the Class 6 title after defeated the Battlefield Bobcats, with no Bruins gymnast receiving a score below 8.975.

This impressive display was highlighted by Lake Braddock sophomore Madison Bell, who received a 9.8 on the uneven bars and a perfect 10 on the balance beam. She was recognized as Toyota's Athlete of the Week and brought home the All-Around State Championship. This contributed to the team's overall score of 151.85, just edging out Battlefield's 148.1, and established the Bruins as repeat champions.

Motion: Therefore, Mister Chairman, I ask without objection that we invite the Lake Braddock Secondary Schools' Women's Gymnastics Team to come before the Board to receive a resolution recognizing their second consecutive Class 6 State Championship Title with a separate resolution recognizing Madison Bell for her outstanding performance.



Supervisor Pat Herrity Board Matter March 7, 2023 Nativity Catholic Church 50th Anniversary

Background: Mr. Chairman, in 1973, Bishop Walter Sullivan announced the opening of a new parish to serve the growing population of Fairfax County in the Burke-Springfield area, served by pastor, Father Frank Ready. It was considered a literal "leap of faith" for an area that was mostly farm land at the time. However, with many Catholics having felt isolated in the Orange Hunt and Rolling Valley communities, the creation of the Nativity Parish served to shorten travel times for families, limit confusion on parish assignment, create a now national historic landmark, and to bring the centralize once-isolated communities.

Today, Nativity Catholic Church has grown in size and scope, yet has continued its original mission of stewardship, serving as a pillar to many in the Springfield for 50 years. They offer K-12 education services, support groups, Bible Studies, Conferences and Marches, bilingual support systems, overseas missions and faith-based programs to promote ministry for our young adults. On June 11th, they will be celebrating their 50th anniversary.

Motion: Therefore, Mister Chairman, I ask without objection that we prepare a proclamation recognizing Nativity Catholic Church's 50 years of existence and service to Fairfax County, to be presented outside the Board room at their anniversary celebration on June 11th, 2023.

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Sully District

Joint Board Matter with Chairman Jeff McKay

March 7, 2023

Reverend Dr. Eugene Johnson

In November of 1992, Rev. Dr. Eugene Johnson assumed the pastoral leadership of Mount Olive Baptist Church in Centreville, Virginia. Pastor Johnson became Mount Olive's eleventh pastor in its illustrious 107-year existence, becoming the longest tenured pastor in Mount Olive's history. After 31 years of dedicated service, Pastor Johnson is retiring from the ministry.

Under Dr. Johnson's spiritual guidance, Mount Olive experienced unprecedented growth in membership. It was under Pastor Johnson's tenure that Mount Olive grew from a small rural church to the monolithic community pillar that it is now.

Given his tremendous time in service to residents of this County, regardless of whether they were parishioners of Mount Olive or local residents, Pastor Johnson has found time to remain an ardent family man. He and his wife June are the proud grandparents to Marley and Jaden.

Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I ask without objection that a resolution be signed by the Chairman and myself and presented to Pastor Johnson outside of the Board Room for his undaunting service to so many of the residents of the Sully District and to Fairfax County. Kathy L. Smith Board of Supervisors 4900 Stonecroft Boulevard Chantilly, VA 20151



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Sully District

Board Matter

March 7, 2023

Celebrating Colin Powell Elementary School's 20 years of Learning and Leading

Mr. Chairman:

I'm pleased to recognize one of Sully District's premier elementary schools, Colin Powell Elementary. For 20 years now, Colin Powell Elementary School has educated our young students preparing them for Middle School and beyond.

The highly qualified educators that have walked the halls of Colin Powell have impacted the lives of these young people by providing the best educational opportunities for them to have successful educational outcomes.

On April 20, a 20th Anniversary Ceremony will take place at the school, and the first principal, Brian Hull will provide remarks. In addition, the Colin Powell Puma Band will perform a commissioned William Owens piece. There will also be a community celebration on Saturday, May 20 on the school grounds that will include food trucks, carnival games and a silent auction.

Therefore, Mr. Chairman, without objection I ask that a resolution be signed by the Chairman and myself to be presented at the school's 20th Anniversary Ceremony on April 20.

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Joint Board Matter with Supervisor John Foust and Pat Herrity March 7, 2023 Chantilly High School, McLean High School and West Springfield High School – 2023 First Amendment Press Freedom Award

Mr. Chairman,

The Journalism Education Association (JEA) with representatives from the National Scholastic Press Association (NSPA), and the Quill and Scroll International Honorary Society recently named Chantilly High School, McLean High School, and West Springfield High School recipients of the 2023 First Amendment Press Freedom Award. The three schools are among 16 schools from across the United States to receive this award and this is the ninth consecutive year that Chantilly received this recognition, and the sixth consecutive award for McLean, and the first for West Springfield.

The award recognizes public high schools that actively support, teach, and protect First Amendment rights and responsibilities of students and teachers, with an emphasis on student-run media where students make all final decisions of content.

Therefore Mr. Chairman, I ask without objection that the Board direct staff to invite representatives from Chantilly High School, McLean High School, and West Springfield High School and the journalism students from the respective schools to come before the Board to be acknowledged for their superior achievement.