

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2017 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 5

Resolution No. 34 –2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION endorsing the provision of financing by the State Department of Commerce for two economic development projects in Howard County and certifying that the projects are consistent with the County's plan for economic development.

Introduced and read first time _____, 2017.

By order _____
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

Read for a second time at a public hearing on _____, 2017.

By order _____
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted___, Adopted with amendments___, Failed___, Withdrawn___, by the County Council on _____, 2017.

Certified By _____
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

Approved by the County Executive _____, 2017

Allan H. Kittleman, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; ~~Strike-out~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment

1 **WHEREAS**, the Department of Commerce of the State of Maryland (the “Department”)
2 has been asked to assist in the financing of a project in Howard County through the Department’s
3 Maryland Economic Development Assistance Authority and Fund (“MEDAAF”); and
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5 **WHEREAS**, the completion of the projects described in this Resolution has strong
6 potential for expanding or retaining employment opportunities within the County; and
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8 **WHEREAS**, the County Executive and County Council have determined that it is in the
9 best interests of the citizens of the County that the Department provide the MEDAAF financial
10 assistance described in this Resolution; and
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12 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with the provisions of Title 5, Subtitle 3 of the Economic
13 Development Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the Department requires that the
14 governing body approve a resolution endorsing the financial assistance being given by the
15 Department for the project described in this Resolution.
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17 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard County,
18 Maryland, this ____ day of _____, 2017, that Howard County hereby endorses the
19 Department providing the MEDAAF financial assistance described below for the following
20 projects:

- 21 1. A \$1,000,000 MEDAAF conditional loan from the Maryland Department of
22 Commerce to support the location costs of Freshly, Inc., an out of state pre-
23 packaged fresh dinner manufacturer and distribution company, which may include
24 the costs of land, acquisition, construction or installation of machinery,
25 equipment, fixtures, leasehold improvements or infrastructure improvements at its
26 new location at 8704 Bollman Place, Savage, Maryland.
- 27 2. A \$500,000 MEDAAF grant to Bottling Group LLC operating as Pepsi Beverages
28 Company for the purchase and improvement costs of real property and the
29 installation of machinery, equipment, furnishings, fixtures and improvements for
30 a new automated distribution facility in approximately 175,000 sq. ft. of space at

1 6571 Alexander Bell Drive, Columbia, Maryland for a term of not less than 12
2 years.

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4 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland,
5 that it hereby certifies that the projects are consistent with the County's plan for economic
6 development.