## **County Council of Howard County, Maryland**

2017 Legislative Session

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Resolution No. 109 -2017

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

A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, declaring that the County's interest for a use-in-common gravel driveway located across property adjacent to the County's Cooksville Highway shop is no longer needed by Howard County, Maryland for public purposes; authorizing the County Executive to terminate and convey its interest to the owner of the property; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to terminate the interest if he finds that the property may have a further public use.

Introduced and read first time /uly 3, 2 By order Jessiga Feldmark, Administrator Read for a second time at a public hearing on 2017. By order a Feldmark, Administrator This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted V, Adopted with amendments\_\_, Failed\_\_, Withdrawn\_\_, by the County Council

<u>21</u>, 2017.

Idrug Certified By Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

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; <u>Underlining</u> indicates material added by amendment

WHEREAS, the County is the owner certain real property located at 14212 Frederick Road, Woodbine, commonly known as the Cooksville Highway Shop, shown as Parcel 168 on Tax Map 8 which was acquired by two deeds: the deed dated September 22, 1977 recorded among the Land Records of Howard County, Maryland (the "Land Records") in Liber 847, folio 602 and the (ii) the deed dated July 27, 1990 recorded among the Land Records at Liber 2220, folio 032, all of which property is shown on Plat Number 9492 (the "County Property"); and

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8 WHEREAS, a portion of the County Property was conveyed to Woodmont Academy, 9 Inc. by deed dated September 3, 2002 and recorded among the Land Records in Liber 6427, folio 10 289 which was subsequently conveyed by Woodmont Academy, Inc. to Woodmont Educational 11 Foundation, Inc. by deed dated March 1, 2003 and recorded among the Land Records at Liber 12 6931, folio 355 (the "Woodmont Property"); and

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WHEREAS, the description of the property conveyed in the deed to Woodmont Educational Foundation Inc references the following "Together with an easement for the use in common with Howard County of a gravel driveway passing thought Tract C as shown on a survey by Navarro & Wright dated August 28, 2002."; and

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19 WHEREAS, St. Mary Coptic Orthodox Church has entered into a contract to purchase 20 the Woodmont Property from Woodmont Educational Foundation, Inc. and has requested that 21 the County's interest in the portion of the driveway crossing over the County Property be 22 terminated, as shown in the attached Exhibit; and

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WHEREAS, the driveway is not in use by the County; and

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WHEREAS, Section 4.201 "Disposition of real property" of the Howard County Code authorizes the County Council to declare that property is no longer needed for public purposes and authorizes the County Council to waive advertising and bidding requirements for an individual conveyance of the property upon the request of the County Executive and after a public hearing that has been duly advertised; and

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1 WHEREAS, the County Council has received a request from the County Executive to 2 waive the advertising and bidding requirements in this instance for the termination and 3 conveyance of the County's interest in the driveway approximately 6,651 square feet to the 4 owner of the Woodmont Property.

- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, this <u>26</u> day of <u>2017</u>, that the driveway comprising approximately 6,651 square feet, shown on the attached Exhibit, is no longer needed by the County for public purposes.
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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, having received a request from the County Executive and having held a public hearing that was duly advertised, the County Council declares that the best interest of the County will be served by authorizing the County Executive to waive the usual advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code for the termination of the County's interest in the driveway and the conveyance to the owner of the Woodmont Property.

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18 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that, if the County Executive finds that driveway 19 easement may have a further public use, he is not bound to terminate the easement and convey 20 the property interest to the owner of the Woodmont Property in accordance with this Resolution.

