



HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL
AFFIDAVIT OF AUTHORIZATION
TO TESTIFY ON BEHALF OF AN ORGANIZATION

I, Nicholas Redding, have been duly authorized by
(name of individual)

Preservation Maryland to deliver testimony to the
(name of nonprofit organization or government board, commission, or task force)

County Council regarding CB-75 2018 to express the organization's
(bill or resolution number)

support for opposition to / request to amend this legislation.
(Please circle one.)

Printed Name: Nicholas Redding

Signature: Nicholas Redding

Date: 10/15/18

Organization: Preservation MD

Organization Address: 3600 Clipper Mill Rd. Ste. 248

Baltimore, MD 21211

Number of Members: 7,000

Name of Chair/President: ANTHONY AZOLA

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PATAPSCO HERITAGE GREENWAY, INC.

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October 15, 2018

Re: CB 75-2018

Howard County Code
Preservation Commission

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Chairperson Sigaty and members of the Howard County Council:

The Patapsco Heritage Greenway asks that you amend Council Bill 75 by deleting the proposed new language in Section 16.607 Historic Preservation Commission Standards for Review: titled Public Safety.

In our opinion, the language is not needed, could be interpreted as a sole standard, provides no discretion, provides no criteria for Commission review and as written is mandatory

The Historic Preservation Commission under its current guidelines already considers public safety and is presented with testimony regarding public safety.

The Historic Preservation Commission has been under going a review and rewrite of its Guidelines. We know a new chapter is proposed titled Flood Proofing and it will have elements related to emergency preparedness.

If the County Council needs to include the words public safety we suggest that they be placed in Section 16.607(a) under existing (4) or a new (5). "Public safety factors which the Commission deems pertinent or constitutes an emergency hazard."

Thank you for your consideration.



**Grace Kubofcik
Board President**

CC: Lindsey Baker: Executive Director

PATAPSCO HERITAGE GREENWAY is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization working to preserve, protect, interpret, & restore the environment, history, and culture of the Patapsco Valley Heritage Area.



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Printed Name: Grace Kubofcik

Signature: Grace Kubofcik

Date: Oct 2, 2018 Board meeting

Organization: Patapasco Heritage Greenway

Organization Address: Old Columbia Pike
Ellicott City MD 21041

Chair/President: Grace Kubofcik



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October 15, 2018

My name is Fred Dorsey and I live at 10774 Judy Lane, Columbia. I am President of Preservation Howard County testifying on behalf of our officers and board members on CB 75 Amending the Howard County Code to create an approval for the Certificate of Approval process for certain actions involving historic structures and public safety; and generally relating to historic structures. We cannot support CB 75 as written.

CB 75 amends Section 16.607. Standards for review to include (B) Public Safety stating "The Commission shall approve an application for certificate of approval if the proposed alterations, construction, moving or demolition of the proposed work is necessary to protect against threats to public safety, including applications for structures of unusual importance."

It does not provide for the Commission to review and consider the application but to simply approve the application, specifies only structures of unusual importance from all other historic structures and provides no criteria for what constitutes threats of public safety.

I understand a concern for safety and in my years of attending Commission meetings they understand safety concerns both private and public with consistent forethought and competence.

The 16.607 (a) Elements for Consideration provides four (4) elements to be considered in reviewing an application for a certificate of approval.

PHC could support this bill should an amendment removing (2) Public Safety under Section 16.607 and expanding (a) (4) under Section 16.607 Standards to read:

(4) Any other factors, including aesthetic factors or public safety factors, which the Commission deems to be pertinent.

The Council has been a positive advocate for historic preservation through the passage of the County's Historic Preservation Plan, the increase to the Historic Properties Tax Credit Program from 10% to 25% and being the first county to do so, the addition of supplement historic buildings to the Historic Properties Tax Credit Program, the continuation of the Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board, and approval of a process to address minor building alterations.

Amending this bill will add to your historic preservation legacy.



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County Council regarding CB-75 to express the organization's
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Printed Name: FRED DORSEY

S. Allan Shad
Secretary - PHC

Signature: Fred Dorsey

Date: 10-15-2018

Organization: PRESERVATION HOWARD COUNTY

Organization Address: 10774 JUDY LANE COLUMBIA, MA

Chair/President: _____



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Historic Preservation Commission to deliver testimony to the
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Printed Name: S. Allan Shad


Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

Date: 10/15/2018

Organization: Howard County Historic Preservation Commission

Organization Address: 3040 Courthouse Drive, Ellicott City,
MD, 21043

Chair/President: Aileen Ferrer
(Via Chair)

Good evening. My name is  ~~Lori Lilly~~, I live in Woodstock and I am here to testify on behalf of the EC Flood Workgroup (FW).

The FW has been working together since 2015 after being appointed by the County Executive through an Executive Order. We have been engaged in monthly meetings for the past 3 years, liaising with experts, reaching out to the community, writing a report, and generally studying Ellicott City's flooding issue in depth. We have spent many hours tromping throughout the watershed, assessing conditions, reporting to the county and generally being engaged in the identification of potential solutions.

The FW supports CB 75 and the County's current proposed Flood Mitigation Plan that includes retention projects, conveyance improvements and floodplain expansion. We see removal of the 10 buildings on Lower Main as unfortunate but necessary as the buildings provide inadequate clearance for the flows that are coming to that point. Opening up the floodplain has been shown in the County's modeling to reduce velocities, which is extremely important for life safety. We see the proposed plan as an incremental step in improving this untenable situation. We are fully supportive of future actions and improvements to the current plan that will mitigate the future loss of any additional buildings.

CB 75 will also help to facilitate the implementation of necessary floodproofing projects that are needed throughout town. Matching the historic character of the town with floodproofing products is extremely expensive and there are no local vendors for these resources. The best products have been sourced in TX, North Dakota and even England and will need to be custom made to represent the historic character. The flood mitigation work is expensive enough already, property owners and the County need the ability to implement floodproofing projects in a more widespread and cost effective manner, particularly if we want to protect the buildings that remain after demolition while the flood mitigation strategy is being implemented.

Thank you for your consideration and hopefully support of CB 75.

Ellicott City Flood Workgroup



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Printed Name: Essei Lilly

Signature: [Signature]

Date: 10/15/19

Organization: Ellicott City Flood Work Group

Organization Address: _____

Chair/President: Debra Ann SIAK KATZ