# County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2019 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 4

# Resolution No. 30-2019

Introduced by: Christiana Mercer Rigby

A RESOLUTION appointing Mary Marker to the Citizens' Election Fund Commission.

Introduced and read first time Moveh 4, 2019	By order Jessica Feldmark, Administrator
Read for a second time and a public hearing on Mach (2019	By order Jessica Feldmark, Administrator
This Bill was read the third time and was Adopted Adopted with amend	dments, Failed Withdrawnby the County Council on
	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; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

1	WHEREAS, Section 907 of the Howard County Charter requires the County	
2	Council of Howard County to establish a Citizens' Election Fund Commission consisting of	
3	five County residents appointed by the Council and two County residents appointed by the	
4	County Executive; and	
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6	WHEREAS, Section 10.310 of the County Code creates the Commission and	
7	provides for the qualifications, terms, and officers of the Commission; and	
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9	WHEREAS, the Commission's purpose is to calculate, not later than 180 days	
10	prior to the end of the fiscal year, the total amount estimated for the full election cycle and	
11	the amount to be included in the current expense budget for the ensuing fiscal year to fully	
12	fund the Citizens' Election Fund System; and	
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14	WHEREAS, Section 10.310 of the County Code further requires that each	
15	nominee shall be confirmed by a separate Resolution of the County Council.	
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17	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Howard	
18	County, Maryland this day of, 2019 that the representative of District 3 on	
19	the Citizens' Election Fund Commission is Mary Marker, Columbia, MD.	
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21	AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the term of this representative is six	
22	years and shall begin on the May 1, 2019.	

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2018-Present: AARP Experience Corps National Trainer
- 2017-Present: Developed Pre-K 4 program for AARP Experience Corps National office. Currently in full year pilot phase in DCPSS.
- 2015-Present: Literacy Consultant for AARP Experience Corp National office working on the development of resources to support after school reading programs.
- 2014-Present: Literacy Consultant for AARP Experience Corp National office working on development of training materials for national program.
- 2013-Present: Consultant/Presenter for AARP Experience Corp Washington DC: Training on assessments and literacy instructional practices. Observations of Experience Corp members, and feedback to support literacy instruction in the schools.
- 2012-Present: Consultant/Presenter for AARP Baltimore: Trainer on Dibels Assessments, and literacy instructional practices. Training for teachers on Fountas and Pinnell assessments, and LLI intervention and guided pre and post testing of the Orch Kids program.
- 2008-2013: Content Specialist for TFA DC region for professional development sessions.
- 1994-2012 Reading Specialist, Talbott Springs Elementary School, Howard County, Maryland.
- 1982-1985 Kindergarten Teacher, Dasher Green Elementary School, Howard County, Maryland.
- 1979-1982 First Grade Teacher, Dasher Green Elementary School, Howard County, Maryland.
- 1978-1979 Fourth Grade Instructional Assistant, Dasher Green Elementary School, Howard County, Maryland.

#### **ADDITIONAL DUTIES**

- Content Specialist for TFA DC region. Presented to groups of teachers on a variety of Literacy topics, pre K to high school.
- Expanded the TFA work to observe and coach individual corps members to perfect their teaching skills in specific content areas.
- Howard County: Mentored teachers and demonstrated lessons of Best Practices of reading instruction.
- Trained teachers in a variety of schools utilizing Best Practices for reading instruction as part of a Reading Excellence Act Grant. Assisted in writing REA grant application.
- Taught a Materials of Reading course for Loyola College as part of a professional development program.
- Designed and Implemented Family Reading activities, including parent workshops.
- Curriculum development in the areas of computers, reading, and gifted and talented education.
- School Alternate Accountability Coordinator, Prepared all testing materials, trained staff, completed all accountability responsibilities.

- Developed and maintained school-wide database for reading and math.
- Analyzed data and worked with teachers to base instructional decisions on data findings.

## **EDUCATION**

Continuing Education Courses – Howard County Public Schools

Johns Hopkins University - Baltimore, MD M.S. Special Education and Reading – December 1983

University of Maryland College Park – College Park, MD B.S. Early Childhood Education – December 1978

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Advanced Professional- Early Childhood Pre-Kindergarten-3<sup>rd</sup>, Special Education K-12, Reading K-12.

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Howard County Education Association, 1978-Present National Education Association Howard County / Maryland State Reading Council National Association of Multicultural Educators (NAME)

## PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

Nancy Thompson: Principal Talbott Springs Elementary

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Mrs. Rachel Slacum

Former Principal Talbott Springs Elementary School, 410-551-1208 Mrs. Kelley Hough: Principal Bryant Woods Elementary School

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March 18, 2019 Howard County Council 3430 Court House Drive Ellicott City, Maryland 21043

# Good Evening,

My name is Mary Marker and I reside at 7131 Willow Brook Way Columbia, Maryland 21046. I appreciate this opportunity to address the county council regarding my nomination to the Citizens' Election Fund Commission.

I am a lifelong educator, and I have spent my career working in our wonderful Howard County Public Schools. In addition to my love of working with students, I am passionate about engaging people to work in their communities on issues that they care deeply about.

One of the things I love most about Howard County is the fact that we are leaders on issues that positively impact our community, working toward equality and a better quality of life for each and every resident. This is why I am honored to be considered to serve on the Citizens' Election Fund Commission to help provide a means for more citizens of Howard County to run for office on the strength of their ideas, supported by small donations and matching funds from the Citizen's Election Fund. If confirmed, I will work diligently with the commission to ensure the success of this program.

Thank you again for your consideration.

Mary Marker 7131 Willow Brook Way Columbia, Maryland 21046

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