County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2019 Legislative Session

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RESOLUTION NO. <u>9</u> - 2019

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Julie Cleveland to the Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board.

Introduced and read first time on June 3, 2019.
By order Junca Holdwark
Read for a second time and a public hearing held on 2019.
By order Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council
This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted , Adopted with amendments, Failed, Withdrawn by the County Council
on, 2019, 2019.
Certified by <u>Jessica Pelduark</u> Jessica Peldmark, Administrator to the County Council

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing language; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing language. Strike-out indicates material deleted by amendment; <u>Underlining</u> indicates material added by amendment. WHEREAS, Section 404 of the Howard County Charter and Section 6.300 of the Howard
 County Code provide for the County Executive to appoint and for the County Council to confirm
 nominees to Howard County Boards and Commissions created by law; and

WHEREAS, Sections 6.335 and 12.1000 of the Howard County Code, as amended by
Council Bill No. 13-2018 effective July 1, 2018, provide for a Local Behavioral Health Advisory
Board in Howard County; and

7 WHEREAS, the County Executive has proposed the appointment of Julie Cleveland as a
8 member of the Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board; and

9 WHEREAS, the County Council ratifies the County Executive's special trust and confidence
10 in the abilities of the nominee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Howard County,
 Maryland this <u>1</u>⁵⁺ day of <u>1</u>, 2019 that the following person is appointed as a
 member of the Local Behavioral Health Advisory Board to serve from the passage of this Resolution
 to July 1, 2024 or until a successor is appointed and confirmed:

Julie Cleveland Jessup, Maryland

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I am a lifelong Maryland resident, dedicated volunteer and mental health champion.

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I graduated from the University of Maryland College Park with a B.A. in Fine Arts and Photography, I went to work with nonprofits such as First Call for Help and Parents Against Child Abuse (PACA).

While working I volunteered on several political campaigns. During this time I was elected to two four year terms to the Howard County Central Committee. I became active in the campaigns fundraising and special event planning which led me to a career in conference, meeting and special event planning. A career which took me all over the world and lasted for over twenty five years.

Helping others has always been a passion for me, and after retirement I began volunteering with Howard County NAMI. Mental Health and its stigma became front and center in my life as I was diagnosed with a mental illness, In the fourteen years at NAMI I spent six of them on the NAMI Howard County Board of Directors. I have recently been voted in for another term of three years.

I took off three years from the county level to work on the NAMI state level and do still have a seat on the NAMI Maryland board of Directors. However I feel the county level of NAMI is where I want to place my energy and get things done.

Over the last fourteen years at NAMI I have established the Howard County NAMI Fundraising committee I served as it chair for eight years, I have gone to Annapolis to talk to the state and legislative reps concerning mental health bills, as well as testified when needed. I am a original member of the NAMI Howard County Public Policy committee.

I am a national NAMI Peer to Peer teacher, national Smarts trainer, and in Your Own Voice presenter. Which are all National NAMI programs.