County Council of Howard County, Maryland

| 2021 Legislative Session | Legislative day #_\O |
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| RESOLUT | TION NO. 77 - 2021 |
| Introduced by: Chairperson | at the request of the County Executive |
| A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Prevention Coordination Council. | ent of Vinitha Nithianandam, to the Human Trafficking |
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| Introduced and read first time on | |
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| Read for a second time and a public hearing held on | By order |
| This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted , Adoon , 2021. | opted with amendments, Failed, Withdrawn by the County Council |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.

| 1 | WHEREAS, Section 404 of the Howard County Charter and Section 6.300 of the Howard |
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| 2 | County Code provide for the County Executive to appoint and for the County Council to confirm |
| 3 | nominees to Howard County Boards and Commissions created by law; and |
| 4 | WHEREAS, Title 17, Subtitle 11, of the Howard County Code provides for a Human |
| 5 | Trafficking Prevention Coordination Council in Howard County; and |
| 6 | WHEREAS, the County Executive has proposed the appointment of Vinitha |
| 7 | Nithianandam, as a member of the Human Trafficking Prevention Coordination Council; and |
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| 9 | WHEREAS, an amendment to Section 404 of the County Charter, effective on or about |
| 10 | December 3, 2020, shortened the term for members of most citizen boards and commissions from |
| 11 | five to three years, including the Human Rights Commission; and |
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| 13 | WHEREAS, the County Council ratifies the County Executive's special trust and |
| 14 | confidence in the abilities of the nominee. |
| 15 | NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Howard County, |
| 16 | Maryland this day of, 2021 that the following person is appointed as a |
| 17 | member of the Human Trafficking Prevention Coordination Council to serve from the passage of |
| 18 | this Resolution to July 6, 2024 or until a successor is appointed and confirmed: |
| 19 | Vinitha Nithianandam |
| 20 | Ellicott City, Maryland |

Vinitha Nithianandam

Experience

Community College of Baltimore County (CCBC) Associate Professor, August 2015 - Present

Course Taught

Taught Cybersecurity and Digital Forensics courses

Women in Technology

- Collaborated with other colleague to facilitate Women in Technology group to provide support for female students
- Worked with female executives and technology professionals in Cyber Security to share experiences to students
- Facilitated mentorship opportunities for female students and conducted monthly meetings
- Received a grant from Cisco to develop and host a "Diva Hackathon" in the summer of 2018
- Conducted "Diva Hackathon" a weeklong camp for female high school students in summer 2018 with Prof. Chin.

Howard Community College

Professor Computer Technology/Director of Information Assurance 1989-2015

Courses taught

Taught various technology courses

College Service at Howard Community College

- Advisory committee member of Howard County Technology Schools
- A member of a Cyber Security Program Articulation committee in the University of Maryland System.
- Developed articulation agreements with 4-year colleges/universities (local and out-of-state) for the HCC Technology A.A program.
- Mentored and advised students each year to prepare students to successfully achieve their academic and career goals.

Presentations

- MECU Baltimore Credit Union on "Cybersecurity Awareness" (2016)
- A talk on "Cybersecurity in Health Information Management" to Maryland Health Information Management Association at Mt. Washington Pediatric Hospital (2018)

Collaborations, Other Affiliations and Awards

- Member, National Cyber Security curriculum Task Force for Cyber Watch Center
- HCC Outstanding Faculty of the Year 2007
- HCC Outstanding Faculty of the Year 2002
- Outstanding Educator, Howard County Chamber of Commerce 2002

Community Services

Certified Volunteer for Araminta Freedom Initiative since March 10th, 2021.

Education

- M.S degree in Electronics Engineering, University of Scranton, PA (1981).
- Completed 30 credits of graduate courses towards a Ph.D. degree in Electrical Engineering at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA (1981 1984).
- B.S.E.E degree in Electronics and Telecommunications Engineering, College of Engineering, Guindy that is affiliated with Anna University, Chennai, India (1977).