County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2011 Legislative Session	Legislative day #/O		
RESOLUTION NO. 126 - 2011			
Introduced by: Chairperson a	t the request of the County Executive		
A RESOLUTION confirming the appoints Commission.	ment of Victor C. Crentsil to the Human Rights		
Introduced and read first time on September, 2011.			
•	By order Stephen LeGendre, Administrator to the County Council		
Read for a second time and a public hearing held on Executive			
	By order <u>Atendre</u> W <u>fo</u> <u>Sonda</u> Stephen LeGendre, Admin:strator to the County Council		
This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted, Adop on, 2011.	ted with amendments, Failed, Withdrawn by the County Council		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.

Certified by Chemical Stephen LeGendre, Administrator to the County Council

1 2 3	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	
4 5	WHEREAS, Sections 6.326 and 12.202 of the Howard County Code provide for a Human Rights Commission in Howard County; and	
6 7	WHEREAS, the County Executive has proposed the appointment of Victor C. Crentsil as a member of the Human Rights Commission; and	
8	WHEREAS, the County Council ratifies the County Executive's special trust and confidence in the abilities of the nominee.	
10 11 12 13	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland this day of, 2011 that the following person is appointed as a Student Member of the Human Rights Commission to serve from the passage of this Resolution to June 30, 2012 or until a successor is appointed and confirmed:	
14	Victor C. Crentsil	
15	Ellicott City, Maryland	

Personal Narrative of Victor C. Crentsil:

Victor C. Crentsil was born in Chicago, Illinois, and has resided in Howard County, Maryland, for the past five years with his immigrant parents, who are originally from Ghana. Through his parents and mentors, Victor has been exposed to experiences that have emphasized the significance of a good character, personal and civic responsibility, and fighting for just causes. These values have been enhanced by the Catholic education he received at Woodmont Academy in Howard County. From Woodmont Academy, Victor went on to high school at Glenelg Country School (GCS), where he is currently a twelfth grader.

Over the past three years at Glenelg Country, Victor has put his values into action through various leadership and service roles. He has served as secretary of the GCS School Council, member of Howard County Voices for Change, and vice-president of Common Ground (Glenelg Country's diversity club). As vice-president of Common Ground, Victor helped organize events such as "Think Before You Speak Week," a week that promotes discrimination awareness. In addition, he has educated his peers about other cultures through presentations.

When Victor is not participating in extracurricular activities at school, he volunteers at the Howard County Food Bank Garden, spends time with his sister and brother, Eliana and Jasson, or works on his Help to Orphans project (H₂O). H₂O is a project Victor started in tenth grade to provide clean water to Haitian orphans by funding the development of a water system. With support from local organizations such as Fund for the Future of our Children, he has raised enough funds and the clean water system is currently under construction in Haiti. In recognition for his H₂O project, last year, Victor was nominated for Howard County Volunteer of the Year. He has also received awards for his other service projects. Victor hopes that through service projects, he will be able to continue to improve the lives of Howard County residents.