County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2016 Legislative Session	Legislative day #
RESOLUT	TION NO. <u>30</u> - 2016
Introduced by: Chairperson	at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappoint	ment of Sylvia Ramsey to the Recreation & Parks Board.
Introduced and read first time on March 7, 2016.	By order Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council
Read for a second time and a public hearing held on Massel	By order Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council
This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted, Adopted, 2016.	ted with amendments, Failed, Withdrawn by the County Council
	Jessica Feldmark, 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.

1	WHEREAS, Section 404 of the Howard County Charter and Section 6.300 of the Howard
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, Section 6.331 and 19.700 of the Howard County Code provide for a Recreation
5	and Parks Board in Howard County; and
6	WHEREAS, the County Executive has proposed the reappointment of Sylvia Ramsey as a
7	member of the Recreation and Parks Board; and
8	WHEREAS, the County Council ratifies the County Executive's special trust and confidence
9	in the abilities of the nominee.
10	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Howard County,
11	Maryland thisday of, 2016 that the following person is appointed as a
12	member of the Recreation and Parks Board to serve from the passage of this Resolution to May 1,
1,3	2021 or until a successor is appointed and confirmed:
14	Sylvia Ramsey
15	6325 Tamar Dr
16	Columbia, MD 21045

Thank you for the opportunity to express my interest to serve on the Howard County Recreation and Parks Advisory Board. I am a 30 year resident of Howard County and before retiring last summer from State service I was the lead Trail and Community Enhancement Manager at the Maryland Department of Transportation for over 12 years. During that time I managed numerous trail and community enhancement projects on a statewide basis. I secured funding for multi-million dollar trail projects such as The Great Allegheny Passage that connects Pittsburg, PA to Georgetown. We constructed, at a cost of \$13 million dollars, 21 miles of trails connecting Frostburg to Cumberland. The trail has been an economic boom to this region. I also worked with Baltimore City on their extensive, multi-phased Gywnns Falls and Jones Falls trail projects and assisted Howard County Recreation and Parks Department in securing funds for the Middle Patuxent Trail and various trail connectors in the County. My work was also my personal passion as an outdoor, environmental advocate. I feel strongly about providing recreational opportunities for our citizens because surveys show that trails and parks give us resources to lead happier, healthier and longer lives. I also was fortunate to have been selected to serve on the Blandair Planning Committee a few years ago. These types of projects protect our environment, preserve wildlife and strengthen local economies.

I feel strongly that I would be an asset to the Recreation and Park Board due to my experience and because I personally believe that Howard County could be an even a better place to live, learn, work and play.

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