

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2014, Legislative Day No. 6

Resolution No. 11-14

Introduced by Mr. Jones and Mr. Grasso

By the County Council, March 10, 2014

1 RESOLUTION supporting a proposal for the Anne Arundel County Department of
2 Recreation and Parks in partnership with the Anne Arundel County Board of Education to
3 create a passive recreation area on land owned by the Board of Education and improved
4 with Jessup Elementary School

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6 WHEREAS, Jessup Elementary School is located at 2900 Elementary School Lane,
7 Jessup, MD on a lot of approximately 31.81 acres; and

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9 WHEREAS, the Anne Arundel County Board of Education is preparing to consider
10 a feasibility study for construction and modernization of the Jessup Elementary
11 School facility; and

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13 WHEREAS, the surrounding community is desirous of preserving a certain unused
14 portion of the Jessup Elementary property as a passive recreation area to ensure
15 accessible open space in an area slated for residential and commercial growth; and

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17 WHEREAS, the Anne Arundel County Department of Recreation and Parks
18 Department has expressed support for the dedication of a portion of the property to
19 Anne Arundel County for use as a public park; and

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21 WHEREAS, the County Council believes the renovation of the existing school and
22 planning a passive park at the same location provide a unique opportunity for the
23 County and the Board of Education to combine resources; and

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25 WHEREAS, the County Council encourages the execution of a Memorandum of
26 Understanding between Anne Arundel County and the Anne Arundel County Board
27 of Education that would provide for the formation, operation and maintenance of
28 the passive recreation area as well as provide for cooperation in the restoration of
29 environmental features; now therefore, be it

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31 *Resolved by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,* That the County
32 Council hereby supports a proposal for the Anne Arundel County Department of
33 Recreation and Parks in partnership with the Anne Arundel County Board of Education to
34 create a passive recreation area on land owned by the Board of Education and improved
35 with Jessup Elementary School; and, be it further

1 *Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be sent to County Executive Laura Neuman,
2 Rick Anthony, Director, Recreation and Parks, Mamie J. Perkins, Interim Superintendent,
3 Anne Arundel County Public Schools, and Teresa Birge, President, Anne Arundel County
4 Public Schools Board of Education.