

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2018, Legislative Day No. 33

Resolution No. 25-18

Introduced by the Entire Council

By the County Council, July 2, 2018

1 RESOLUTION dedicating the July 2, 2018 legislative session of the Anne Arundel  
2 County Council to the memory of Gerald Fischman, Rob Hiaasen, John McNamara,  
3 Rebecca Smith and Wendi Winters

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5 WHEREAS, the Capital Gazette is based in Annapolis, Maryland and is the  
6 newspaper of record for Anne Arundel County; and

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8 WHEREAS, reporters and editors for the Capital diligently cover the County  
9 Council and the business that comes before the Council; and

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11 WHEREAS, on June 28, 2018, in a senseless act of violence, employees of the  
12 Capital were targeted in a premeditated attack; and

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14 WHEREAS, five people were murdered in this attack: Gerald Fischman, Rob  
15 Hiaasen, John McNamara, Rebecca Smith and Wendi Winters; and

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17 WHEREAS, survivors of the attack will live with the traumatic experience for the  
18 rest of their lives; and

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20 WHEREAS, members of the County Council knew some of the victims personally;  
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23 WHEREAS, despite this heinous attack, the staff of the Capital was able to publish  
24 the paper on time the next day, reporting on the attack itself; and

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26 WHEREAS, members of the media should be free to objectively report on news  
27 without the fear of violent retribution; now, therefore, be it

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29 *Resolved by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, That the County*  
30 *Council hereby wishes to extend its sincere condolences to the victims and survivors of the*  
31 *attack; and be it further*

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33 *Resolved, That the County Council shall dedicate its July 2, 2018 legislative session to*  
34 *the memory of Gerald Fischman, Rob Hiaasen, John McNamara, Rebecca Smith and*  
35 *Wendi Winters, so that their names will be forever memorialized into the public record of*  
36 *the County Council.*

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READ AND PASSED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2018

By Order:



JoAnne Gray  
Administrative Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT RESOLUTION NO. 25-18 IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.



Michael A. Peroutka  
Chairman