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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Council Members, Anne Arundel County Council

**From:** Christine B. Neiderer, Assistant County Attorney /s/

**Via:** Gregory J. Swain, County Attorney /s/

**Date:** September 8, 2020

**Subject:** Resolution No. 32-20 – Approving the nomination to the Anne Arundel County Human Relations Commission

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### Legislative Summary

This summary was prepared by the Anne Arundel County Office of Law for use by members of the Anne Arundel County Council during consideration of Resolution No. 32-20, which approves the County Executive’s nomination to the Anne Arundel County Human Relations Commission (“Commission”).

**Background.** Bill No. 57-19 created the Commission. The purpose of the Commission is to promote and enhance the ability of residents to pursue their lives free of discrimination in housing.

The Commission consists of 11 voting members, all of whom are residents of the County and are nominated by the County Executive and approved by resolution of the County Council. Seven of the members are from each of the seven Councilmanic Districts recommended by the County Council member for the district, and four of the members are recommended by the County Executive.

The initial terms of the members are staggered so that four members serve initial terms of one year, four members serve initial terms of two years, and three members serve initial terms of three years.

Pursuant to Resolution No. 49-19, Roberto Veloso was recommended by the County Executive and approved to serve an initial two year term commencing on November 18, 2019

**Note: This Legislative Summary provides a synopsis of the bill as introduced. It does not address subsequent amendments to the bill.**

and ending on November 17, 2021. On January 27, 2020, Mr. Veloso resigned due to a potential conflict of interest under the County's Ethics law, and his position has remained vacant. Bill No. 20-20, which passed July 6, 2020, resolved the potential conflict of interest issue and pursuant to § 3-5A-103(a)(2) of the County Code, the County Executive recommends and nominates Mr. Veloso to serve the remainder of his initial term expiring November 17, 2021.

This legislation approves the County Executive's recommendation and nomination to the Commission.

The Office of Law is available to answer any additional questions regarding the Resolution. Thank you.

cc: Honorable Steuart Pittman, County Executive  
Kai Boggess-de Bruin, PhD, Chief of Staff  
Matthew Power, Chief Administrative Officer  
Peter Baron, Government Affairs Officer  
Jim Beachamp, Budget Officer