

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2017, Legislative Day No. 7

Resolution No. 12-17

Introduced by Mr. Peroutka, Mr. Walker, Mr. Grasso, and Mr. Fink

By the County Council, April 3, 2017

1 RESOLUTION urging members of the Maryland General Assembly to oppose House
2 Bill 1362 and Senate Bill 835, legislation limiting local government participation and
3 cooperation in federal immigration enforcement efforts (the “Maryland Community Trust
4 Act”)

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6 WHEREAS, human trafficking, violent crimes, and other negative effects of
7 illegal immigration continue to be a major concern of the citizens of Anne
8 Arundel County; and

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10 WHEREAS, Anne Arundel County should assist and cooperate with federal
11 agencies that are struggling with the illegal immigration crisis; and

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13 WHEREAS, assistance and cooperation by local law enforcement officials and by
14 local correctional facilities officials is permitted under federal law pursuant to 8
15 U.S.C. §§ 1357(g) and 1373; and

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17 WHEREAS, the ability to cooperate with federal immigration enforcement
18 comports with Article IV, Section 4, of the United States Constitution, also
19 known as the “Guarantee Clause”, as well as the Tenth Amendment to the United
20 States Constitution; and

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22 WHEREAS, programs that allow and encourage Anne Arundel County to partner
23 with United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement will make
24 communities safer and help prevent human trafficking and other crimes; and

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26 WHEREAS, the General Assembly is considering legislation, House Bill 1362
27 and Senate Bill 835, commonly known as the Maryland Community Trust Act,
28 that is designed to limit State and local government participation and cooperation
29 in federal immigration enforcement efforts; and

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31 WHEREAS, the Maryland Community Trust Act would place stringent
32 limitations on local government autonomy that have far-reaching, significant, and
33 unintended consequences, including, forcing local government officials to disobey
34 certain provisions of the Maryland Law Enforcement Trust Act in order to
35 perform their law enforcement functions; now, therefore, be it

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37 *Resolved by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, that the Anne*
38 *Arundel County Council urges members of the Maryland General Assembly to oppose*

1 House Bill 1362 and Senate Bill 835 (the "Maryland Community Trust Act"), which is
2 designed to limit local government participation and cooperation in federal immigration
3 enforcement efforts; and be it further
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5 *Resolved*, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to County Executive Steven R.
6 Schuh; Governor Larry Hogan; Senate President Thomas V. Mike Miller, House Speaker
7 Michael E. Busch, Senate Minority Leader J.B. Jennings, House Minority Leader
8 Nicholas Kipke, Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee Chair Senator Bobby A.
9 Zirkin, and Members of the Anne Arundel County House and Senate Delegations.

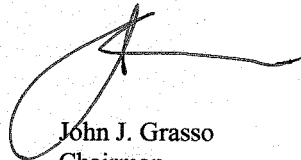
READ AND PASSED this 3rd day of April, 2017

By Order:



JoAnne Gray
Administrative Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT RESOLUTION NO. 12-17 IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND DULY
ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.



John J. Grasso
Chairman