

RESOLUTION 88 – 13

THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY MUNICIPAL COLLABORATION FY 2014 MEA EMPOWER LMI COMMUNITIES GRANT APPLICATION AND DHCD SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES-COMMUNITY LEGACY GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Resolution is to approve the designation of a Municipal Collaboration application and receipt of financing for the MEA and DHCD Sustainable Communities-Community Legacy Projects further described in the MEA EmPOWER and Community Legacy Application, attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein as Exhibit 1, to be financed either directly by the Maryland Energy Administration, Department of Housing and Community Development (the "Department") of the State of Maryland or through other departments or agencies of the State of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, The municipal collaboration consists of the Towns of Bladensburg, Brentwood, Capital Heights, Colmar Manor, Cottage City, Edmonston, Forest Heights, Glenarden, Landover Hills, Morningside, Mount Rainer, North Brentwood, Seat Pleasant, Hyattsville City, City of Bowie, Riverdale Park, Town of Cheverly, City of New Carrollton, University Park and Prince George's County (the "Municipal Collaboration"); and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Collaboration was formed to successfully pursue and obtain grants funding that is used to reinvest in communities such as the Maryland Energy Administration, MEA Empower Clean Energy Communities Grant program (\$614,000.00), DHCD Community Legacy program (\$115,000.00) and to obtain over \$1 million dollars, in U.S. Department of Energy funding, (EECBG) through Prince George's County, Maryland, installing solar retrofits on nine municipal complexes with resulted in all monies used and no adverse findings on any audit; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Collaboration recognizes that there is a significant need for reinvestment and revitalization of the communities in the Municipal Collaboration; and,

WHEREAS, The Municipal Collaboration proposes to operate within Special Conditions set forth by MEA EmPOWER LMI Communities, grant conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Collaboration proposes to operate only in authorized designate areas within the boundaries of the Municipal Collaboration, and/or as defined and approved by DHCD as a Sustainable Community-Community Legacy Area (or areas) and to develop Community Legacy Projects in the Area(s), the purpose of which will be to contribute to the reinvestment and revitalization in the Area(s); and

WHEREAS, the Department, either through Community Legacy or through other programs of the Department, or in cooperation with other State departments or agencies, may provide some or all of the financing for the Projects (the "Project Financing") in order to assist in making it financially feasible; and

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WHEREAS, in respect to DHCD, the Area is located within a priority funding area under Section 5-7B-02 of the Smart Growth Act and the Project will conform to the local zoning code; and

WHEREAS, the applicable law and regulations require approval of the Community Legacy Area designation, the Project, and the Project financing by the Town of Bladensburg as lead agency for the Municipal Collaboration and, where appropriate, by the chief elected executive official of the local subdivision.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the **Town of Forest Heights** hereby endorses the designation of the Community Legacy Area and the Projects in the Area; and, hereby approves the request in the form of a grant, loan, or other financial vehicle; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, Mayor Goodall is hereby requested to endorse this Resolution, thereby indicating her approval thereof; and,

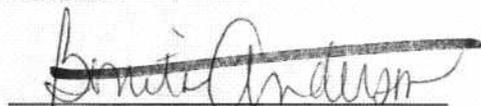
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, copies of this Resolution are sent to the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Community Development of the State of Maryland and Maryland Energy Administration.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 18th day of December 2013.

APPROVED: By Resolution of the Town Council of The Town of Forest Heights, Maryland

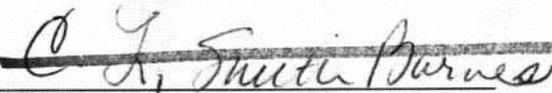
ATTEST:



Bonita C. Anderson, Town Clerk

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND

By: _____
Jacqueline Goodall, Mayor

By: 

C. Lynn Smith-Barnes, Council President

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ROLL CALL VOTE

YEA/NAY/ABSTAIN/ABSENT

GOODALL	<u>YEA</u>
KENNEDY II	<u>YEA</u>
STONER	<u>YEA</u>
BARNES	<u>YEA</u>
MUHAMMAD	<u>YEA</u>
SMITH-BARNES	<u>YEA</u>
MANN	<u>YEA</u>

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby certify, as the duly appointed Town Clerk of the Town of Forest Heights, Maryland, that on the 18th day of December 2013 with 7 Aye votes and 0 Nay, constituting a majority of at least four (4) affirmative votes, the aforesaid Resolution 88-13 passed.



Bonita Anderson, Town Clerk

Exhibit 1(a & b) – [FY 2014 MEA Empower LMI Communities Grant Application and DHCD Sustainable Communities-Community Legacy Grant Application]