



1 and the extent of discrimination against minority and female business enterprises (“MFBEs”), if  
2 any, and other barriers to equitable participation with Prince George’s County; and

3 WHEREAS, the Final Report consists of ten chapters, including an Executive Summary;  
4 Introduction; Legal Analysis; Statistical Analysis of MFBE Availability; Statistical Analysis of  
5 MFBE Utilization; Statistical Analysis of MFBE Disparity in Payments and Contracting;  
6 Procurement Analysis, Anecdotal Comments from the Marketplace, Analysis of Private Sector  
7 Disparities; Consideration of Race-Neutral Alternatives; and Conclusions and  
8 Recommendations; and

9 WHEREAS, the Final Report contains an overview the methodologies of qualitative and  
10 quantitative assessments of the Prince George’s and Washington-Baltimore metro marketplace;  
11 the availability and utilization of MFBEs in that marketplace; evidence of continuing  
12 discrimination by survey and interviews with contractors, vendors and business owners; a legal  
13 analysis of the requirements of local Minority Business Enterprise programs as set forth in the  
14 *Croson* decision; and recommendations for suggested changes to the County’s Minority Business  
15 Enterprise Program and the County’s procurement practice and policies; and

16 WHEREAS, the Final Report found statistically significant underutilization in MFBE  
17 participation in Prince George’s County contracting and procurement activity in the Washington-  
18 Baltimore marketplace in several areas and recommends that Prince George’s County adopts a  
19 new MFBE program, including establishing a sunset date, changes in purchasing procedures and  
20 practices as well as the use of both race/gender neutral and race/gender conscious policies in goal  
21 setting in the County’s Minority Business Enterprise Program; and

22 WHEREAS, the Final Report represents the facts, findings and conclusions which form the  
23 basis of the continuation and modification of the County’s Minority Business Enterprise  
24 Program; and

25 WHEREAS, the County Council has reviewed the results, findings and recommendations  
26 of the Final Report; and

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George’s  
28 County, Maryland, that the results, findings and recommendations of the Final Report  
29 incorporated herein by reference, and are hereby adopted as the facts, findings and conclusions  
30 forming the basis for the continuation of the Minority Business Opportunity Program in Prince  
31 George’s County, including all related and amended Code provisions and regulations.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the study shall be filed with the Clerk of the  
2 Court.

Adopted this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July , 2008.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Samuel H. Dean  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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Redis C. Floyd  
Clerk of the Council