

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2020 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-99-2020

Proposed by Council Member Franklin

Introduced by Council Members Franklin, Turner, Streeter, Dernoga, Ivey, Taveras,
Glaros, Harrison, Davis, Hawkins and Anderson-Walker

Date of Introduction October 6, 2020

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Healthy Food Priority Areas - Designation

3 For the purpose of designating areas in Prince George's County as Healthy Food Priority Areas.

4 WHEREAS, Section 10-235.26 of the County Code establishes the Healthy Food
 5 Priority Areas Tax Credit Program as a personal property tax credit incentive program to attract
 6 full-service grocery stores to underserved communities, designated as Healthy Food Priority
 7 Areas; and

8 WHEREAS, Section 10-235.26 of the County Code prescribes that the County Council,
 9 with concurrence of the County Executive, may establish Healthy Food Priority Areas in
 10 accordance with a combination of the following factors:

11 (i) Limited availability of fresh fruit, vegetables, and other healthy food options in the
 12 designated area;

13 (ii) A presence of a significant number or share of low-income residents in the designated
 14 area;

15 (iii) Limited transportation options or access for local residents, including limited access
 16 to public transit, in the designated area;

17 (iv) Comments from municipal governments, if applicable; and

18 (v) Any other factors that the County Council and the County Executive determine are
 19 relevant; and

20 WHEREAS, Section 10-235.26 of the County Code prescribes that the County shall
 21 award an eighty percent (80%) annual tax credit against the county personal property taxes for a
 22 newly constructed or substantially renovated grocery store located, at the time of tax credit

award, in a healthy food priority area for the first ten (10) taxable years after both (i) completion of eligible construction of the newly constructed or substantially renovated grocery store and (ii) expenditure on new personal property for the newly constructed or substantially renovated grocery store, subject to additional conditions; and

WHEREAS, a collaborative group of food security activists and public officials has created a proposed Healthy Food Priority Area map, which utilizes the standards set forth in Section 10-235.26 to designate underserved areas in the County for eligibility for the Healthy Food Priority Area Tax Credit Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the Healthy Food Priority Area map set forth electronically on the date of Council adoption of this resolution at <https://princegeorges.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/9f9202c51cc345ab9e0e1aa21a23bb76> hereby establishes the County's Healthy Food Priority Areas pursuant to Section 10-235.26 of the County Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the method for updating designations of Healthy Food Priority Areas in the County shall be by subsequent County Council resolutions, with the concurrence of the County Executive.

Adopted this 17th day of November, 2020.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Todd M. Turner
Council Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Angela D. Alsobrooks
County Executive