

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

2002 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-3-2002

Proposed by Council Member Scott

Introduced by Council Members Scott, Estepp, Russell, Shapiro, Wilson, Dernoga,
Gourdine, Hendershot and Bailey

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction February 12, 2002

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Maryland Memorial to the Victims of Terrorism

3 For the purpose of expressing the support of the Prince George's County Council for the
 4 construction of a suitable memorial to the victims of the September 11, 2001 attacks on the
 5 United States and to subsequent victims of the war against terrorism.

6 WHEREAS, terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in New York and the Pentagon in
 7 Virginia claimed thousands of lives in an undeclared war on the United States; and

8 WHEREAS, the terrorist attack on the Pentagon killed both civilian and military personnel
 9 assigned to the Pentagon as well as passengers and crew of the hijacked aircraft used as the
 10 terrorists' weapon; and

11 WHEREAS, a significant number of the victims of the attack on the Pentagon were
 12 residents of Maryland and many of those were residents of Prince George's County at the time of
 13 their deaths; and

14 WHEREAS, Postal Service employees were exposed to deadly strains of anthrax which
 15 resulted in the deaths of two Postal workers from Prince George's County; and

16 WHEREAS, additional civilian and military casualties of the on-going war on terrorism
 17 deserve recognition for their supreme sacrifice in the defense of their country; and

18 WHEREAS, the historic Addison graveyard in the Town of Forest Heights, Prince George's
 19 County is the burial site of the President of the Continental Congress, John Hanson of Maryland,
 20 and provides a commanding view of the Potomac River; and

21 WHEREAS, the Addison graveyard would provide an excellent site for a memorial with

1 high visibility from various locations along the Potomac River, including the Pentagon,
 2 approaches to the Woodrow Wilson Interstate 95 Bridge, Mount Vernon, and the Port of
 3 Alexandria, Virginia; and

4 WHEREAS, a memorial to the Maryland victims of terrorism should be of sufficient
 5 importance, stature and quality to serve as a reminder to generations to come of the price of
 6 freedom and as an expression of remembrance of those upon whom the costs of freedom rest.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
 8 County, Maryland, that the Council supports the establishment and construction of a suitable
 9 memorial to the victims of the September 11, 2001 attacks on the United States and to the
 10 subsequent victims of the war against terrorism.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council supports the placement of the memorial in
 12 the Addison graveyard in Forest Heights, Prince George's County in conjunction with the burial
 13 site of John Hanson, the President of the Continental Congress.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Council is directed to forward a copy
 15 of this Resolution to members of the Maryland Congressional Delegation, the members of the
 16 Prince George's County delegation to the Maryland General Assembly, and the Mayor and
 17 Council of the Town of Forest Heights.

Adopted this 26th day of March, 2002.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
 GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
 Peter A. Shapiro
 Chair

ATTEST:

 Redis C. Floyd
 Acting Clerk of the Council