

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**2014 Legislative Session**

Resolution No. CR-54-2014

Proposed by Council Member Toles

Introduced by Council Members Toles, Lehman, Harrison, Patterson, Davis and Turner

Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Introduction June 3, 2014

**RESOLUTION**

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 County Council Support for Efforts to Rescue the Kidnapped Adolescent Girls in Nigeria  
3 For the purpose of establishing that the County Council of Prince George’s County support and  
4 encourage the Nigerian and United States governments to commit any and all efforts to rescue  
5 the kidnapped girls in Nigeria.

6 WHEREAS, on April 14, 2014, approximately 276 girls were abducted from a school in  
7 Nigeria by members of Boko Haram, an Islamist militant group; and

8 WHEREAS, Abubakar Shekau, leader of Boko Haram has vowed to sell them as slaves;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, these actions by Boko Haram constitute human trafficking and is  
11 unequivocally objected to by Prince George’s County; and

12 WHEREAS, the County is in support of efforts to rescue these girls by any means  
13 necessary; and

14 WHEREAS, the County’s sentiment is consistent with the eradication of Human  
15 Trafficking as described in CR-74-2013, a Resolution creating the Human Trafficking Task  
16 Force.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's  
18 County, Maryland, that the County encourages the Nigerian and United States governments to  
19 commit any and all efforts to rescue the kidnapped young women in Nigeria.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County supports any and all actions to eradicate  
21 human trafficking of children and adults around the world and in the United States.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County encourages people to utilize Twitter,

1 Instagram, Facebook and any other social media outlets to initiate a campaign aimed at putting  
2 pressure on the Nigerian government to accept assistance from the United States in rescuing the  
3 captives.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County denounces any group that seeks to deny  
5 girls and women the right to receive a formal education.

Adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2014.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mel Franklin  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Council