

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**

**1998 Legislative Session**

Resolution No. CR-64-1998

Proposed by Council Member Russell

Introduced by Council Members Russell, Bailey, Del Giudice, Estepp, Gourdine,  
Hendershot, Maloney, Scott and Wilson

Sponsors

Date of Introduction July 28, 1998

**RESOLUTION**

A RESOLUTION concerning

Retail Development

For the purpose of establishing the County's policy for the attraction and facilitation of quality retail and restaurant development in Prince George's County.

WHEREAS, Prince George's County, Maryland is contiguous to Washington, D.C. and contains a total area of 488 square miles; and

WHEREAS, Prince George's County has a population of 780,000 persons constituting the third largest jurisdiction in the Washington Metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, Prince George's County has a median household income exceeding the national median by over twenty-five percent (25%), with an effective buying income estimated at \$13 Billion Dollars; and

WHEREAS, over twenty-three percent (23%) of private employment in the County is in the retail sector; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Prince George's County and the Chamber of Commerce have a strong desire to increase the number of quality retail shopping opportunities in Prince George's County and have asked the county government to take an active role in encouraging retail establishments to locate in Prince George's County; and

WHEREAS, the Prince George's County government recognizes that growth and improvement of the quality of the County's retail and restaurant base improves the quality of life for its residents, increases the tax base of the County, and promotes the County as a

location for tourism and business development; and

WHEREAS, the transportation network in Prince George's County is the best in the Washington Metropolitan Area and there are many locations ideal for quality retail development and restaurant tenants; and

WHEREAS, Prince George's County desires to aggressively pursue legislative policies, public infrastructure improvements, and economic development initiatives to encourage and facilitate the expansion of quality retail opportunities for its residents; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to actively disseminate information to retailers and retail real estate representatives in the Washington Metropolitan area and throughout the country about Prince George's County, the strength of the underserved retail market and the opportunities available for retail expansion and development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that Prince George's County will, with the support and encouragement of its citizens and business organizations promote quality retail development by encouraging a positive business climate, facilitating the development and permitting process and marketing the opportunities available in Prince George's County for retail and restaurant developers.

Adopted this 28th day of July, 1998.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY:

Ronald V. Russell  
Chairman

ATTEST:

Joyce T. Sweeney  
Clerk of the Council