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

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**RESOLUTION**

A RESOLUTION concerning

Fiscal Autonomy for Board of Education

FOR the purpose of requesting legislation by the General Assembly to provide fiscal autonomy for the Board of Education by separating the Board of Education from the County budget process and authorizing the levy of property tax subject to the approval of the voters.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Prince George's County

is a body corporate and politic, organized pursuant to the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and authorized to provide an appropriate free education to the children of the County; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Education are directly nominated and elected by the voters of each school board district; and

WHEREAS, the Education Article requires that the Board of Education submit its requested budget to the County Executive, who is authorized to deny in whole or reduce in part a major category of the requested budget; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education's requested budget is subject to further reductions or increases in funds by the County Council; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is responsible and accountable to the citizens of the County for the quality of public education provided and the expenditure of funds appropriated by the County to the Board; and

WHEREAS, the County Council has limited legal authority to require the expenditure of appropriated funds for a particular purpose; and

WHEREAS, a majority of all funds appropriated by the County Council is appropriated to the Board of Education.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the Board of Education of Prince George's County should have the power and authority

to establish its budget and levy necessary and appropriate property taxes, subject to a limitation upon the rate of taxation as shall be approved by the voters of the County at a general or special election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Prince George's County delegation to the General Assembly is hereby requested to introduce and support the passage of enabling legislation to provide for the fiscal and budgetary autonomy of the Board of Education.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1992.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY:

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Richard J. Castaldi  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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Joyce T. Sweeney  
Acting Clerk of the Council