

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2015 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-51-2015

Proposed by Council Members Lehman, Taveras and Glaros

Introduced by Council Members Lehman, Taveras, Glaros and Turner

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction September 15, 2015

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Right of First Refusal

3 For the purpose of providing that the County will exercise the Right of First Refusal where the
4 owner of a multi-family rental facility of 20 units or more intends to sell said multi-family rental
5 facility.

6 WHEREAS, the County Council found that there is a continuing shortage of quality low
7 and moderate income affordable rental housing in the County; and

8 WHEREAS, the County determined that it wishes to stabilize and preserve housing
9 opportunities for low and moderate income households; and

10 WHEREAS, the County has determined that tenants can experience hardships when they
11 are displaced by the conversion of rental housing; and

12 WHEREAS, the County has determined that it wants to protect the tenancies of certain
13 households in rental housing conversion and allow the County the ability to purchase and
14 rehabilitate rental housing in areas of the County as a means of revitalization; and

15 WHEREAS, the County has determined that it is in the best interest of public health, safety
16 and welfare to regulate the conversion of rental housing in the County; and

17 WHEREAS, the County Council enacted CB-27-2013 for the purpose of regulating the
18 conversion of rental housing, establishing procedures and regulations relating to the conversion
19 of rental property in Prince George's County, and

20 WHEREAS, the Department of Housing and Community Development was charged with
21 the development of regulations necessary to implement the requirements of CB-27-2013; and

1 WHEREAS, the Department did develop the regulations necessary to implement the
2 requirement of CB-27-2013; and

3 WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development was
4 directed to propose for County Council consideration, designated areas where the County’s Right
5 of First Refusal and any exception to the County’s Right of First Refusal shall apply; and

6 WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development,
7 after developing the regulations necessary to implement the Right of First Refusal, consulting
8 with industry stakeholders, considering efficiency of administration, and fair housing laws and
9 regulations; is proposing that the County Council with the County Executive’s concurrence
10 declare that the Right of First Refusal be applied to all areas of Prince George's County, without
11 exception.

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
13 County, Maryland, that the County’s Right of First Refusal and any applicable exception shall
14 apply to all areas of Prince George's County.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Right of First Refusal and any applicable exception
16 shall apply to all areas of Prince George's County commencing 30 days after adoption of this
17 resolution.

Adopted this 6th day of October, 2015.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Mel Franklin
Chairman

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd
Clerk of the Council