COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND SITTING AS THE DISTRICT COUNCIL

2025 Legislative Session

Resolution No.	CR-122-2025
Proposed by	The Chair – (By request – Planning Board)
Introduced by	Council Members Olson, Watson, Blegay, Oriadha, Fisher, Dernoga,
	Harrison and Ivey
Date of Introdu	ction October 7, 2025
	RESOLUTION
A RESOLUTIO	
	the Maerlender-Hughes House and the Clarence and Edith Pearce House as Prince
	George's County Historic Sites
For the purpose	of approving the designation of the Maerlender-Hughes House (Documented
Property 66-037	-51) and the Clarence and Edith Pearce House (Documented Property 66-029-10)
as Historic Sites	in Prince George's County, Maryland.
WHEREAS	S, Section 29-120.01 of the Prince George's County Code provides a process for
the owner(s) of a	in historic property to petition the Prince George's County Historic Preservation
Commission for	Historic Site designation; and
WHEREAS	S, in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 29-120.01 of the Prince George's
County Code, the	e respective owners filed petitions with the Historic Preservation Commission for
designation of th	e two properties described below; and
WHEREAS	S, after proper posting and notice was given as required by law, the Prince
George's County	Historic Preservation Commission held a public hearing on April 15, 2025, on
the two (2) subje	ect petitions; and
WHEREAS	S, the Maerlender-Hughes House, located at 4615 Clemson Road, College Park
was built circa	1946 and is significant as a substantially intact example of simplified Colonial
Revival style do	mestic architecture in the Calvert Hills National Register Historic District; and
WHEREAS	S, the Maerlender-Hughes House embodies the heritage theme of streetcar suburb
development in l	Prince George's County in the early twentieth century and was the home of
Maerlender and	Hughes families for over 50 years, from 1947 to 1980; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the Maerlender-Hughes House (Documented Property 66-037-51), and its 0.148-acre Environmental Setting, (The east 30 feet of Lot 76 and the west 50 feet of Lots 77 and 78 in Block E, Section A, "College Park"), be designated as a historic site on the basis of certain historic site designation criteria stated in County Code Section 29-104(a), namely, criteria (1)(A)(iv), (2)(A)(i), and (2)(A)(v).

WHEREAS, the Clarence and Edith Pearce House, located at 6605 44th Avenue, University Park, was built circa 1935 and is significant as intact example of Dutch Colonial Revival domestic architecture in the University Park National Register Historic District; and

WHEREAS, the Clarence and Edith Pearce House embodies the early to mid-twentieth century growth of automobile-oriented suburban development in Prince George's County, and was the home of the Pearce family from 1935 to 1952; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the Clarence and Edith Pearce House (Documented Property 66-029-10), and its 0.206-acre Environmental Setting, (Lot 7 and the north 15 feet of Lot 8 in Block 13 of "Section Three, University Park,"), be designated as a historic site on the basis of certain historic site designation criteria stated in County Code Section 29-104(a), namely, criteria (1)(A)(iv), (2)(A)(i), and (2)(A)(v); and

WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Council, sitting as the District Council, held a joint public hearing on the significance of these properties with the Prince George's County Planning Board on June 16, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the record of the hearing was left open until 5:00 p.m. on July 1, 2025, and no additional testimony was received; and

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2025, the Prince George's County Planning Board voted unanimously to recommend that the Maerlender-Hughes House and the Clarence and Edith Pearce House be designated as Prince George's County Historic Sites,

WHEREAS, on September 9, 2025, in accordance with provisions of the Subtitle 29 of the County Code, the District Council convened as the Committee of the Whole to review the transcript analysis and Planning Board recommendation as to the proposed designations and favorably voted to direct the staff to prepare a Resolution of Approval as to the proposed Historic Site Designations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, sitting as the District Council for that part of the Maryland-Washington

1	Regional District in Prince George's County, Maryland, that the Maerlender-Hughes House	
2	(Documented Property 66-037-51) and its 0.148-acre Environmental Setting (The east 30 feet of	
3	Lot 76 and the west 50 feet of Lots 77 and 78 in Block E, Section A, "College Park") and the	
4	Clarence and Edith Pearce House (Documented Property 66-029-10) and its 0.206-acre	
5	Environmental Setting, (Lot 7 and the north 15 feet of Lot 8 in Block 13 of "Section Three,	
6	University Park,") are hereby designated as Historic Sites in Prince George's County, Maryland.	
7	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Council be directed to mail copies of	
8	this Resolution to the Prince George's County Historic Preservation Commission, the Prince	
9	George's County Planning Board, and to the respective property owners.	
	Adopted this 7 th day of October, 2025.	
	COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND, SITTING AS THE DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THAT PART OF THE MARYLAND-WASHINGTON REGIONAL DISTRICT IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND	
	BY: Edward P. Burrough III Chair	
	ATTEST:	
	Donna J. Brown Clerk of the Council	