

# **Prince George's County Council**

## **Agenda Item Summary**

**Meeting Date:** 11/4/2025 **Effective Date:** 11/4/2025

Reference No.: CR-088-2025 Chapter Number:

Draft No.: 2 Public Hearing Date:

**Proposer(s):** Oriadha

**Sponsor(s):** Oriadha, Watson, Blegay, Adams-Stafford, Dernoga, Ivey, Fisher, Burroughs and

Hawkins

Item Title: A RESOLUTION CONCERNING IMPROVING PRINCE GEORGE'S

COUNTY'S LITERACY for the purpose of establishing the Prince George's

County Literacy Commission ("the Commission") to develop strategic initiatives to assess, address, and improve literacy rates among residents in Prince George's

County.

**Drafter:** Ramon Gonzalez, Legislative Attorney

Resource Personnel: Tiffany Hannon, Chief of Staff

#### **LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

Date:	<b>Acting Body:</b>	Action:	Sent To:
09/09/2025	County Council	introduced and referred	EWD

## **Action Text:**

This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Oriadha, Watson, Blegay, Adams-Stafford, Dernoga, Ivey, Fisher and Burroughs and referred to the Education and Workforce Development Committee.

10/06/2025 EWD amended (1)

## **Action Text:**

A motion was made by Chair Oriadha, seconded by Council Member Olson, that this Resolution be amended (1). The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 Olson, Oriadha, Watson and Adams-Stafford

Absent: 1 Hawkins

10/06/2025 EWD Favorably

recommended with

amendments

### **Action Text:**

A motion was made by Chair Oriadha, seconded by Member Watson, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended with amendments. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 Olson, Oriadha, Watson and Adams-Stafford

Absent: 1 Hawkins

11/04/2025 County Council adopted

#### **Action Text:**

A motion was made by Vice Chair Oriadha, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey, Burroughs,

Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

Absent: 1 Blegay

## **AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:**

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:**

Prince George's County is establishing the Literacy Commission to tackle the persistent literacy challenge that affects both youth and adults. The need for a targeted intervention is an urgent concern to help address the literacy issues within the County. Literacy gaps within the County limit employment opportunities, economic mobility, and disproportionately affects disadvantage communities. The Commission will be composed of educators, community leaders, and nonprofit partners to tackle the issue of literacy within the County. The Commission shall make recommendations to the Prince George's County Board of Education and County Council on effective policies, initiatives, and remedies.

**Document(s):** R2025088, CR-088-2025 Report, CR-088-2025 PAFI, CR-088-2025 OOL Comments