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The Honorable Derrick Leon Davis
Chairman
Prince George's County Council
County Administration Building
Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772

Dear Chairman Davis:

Enclosed for the County Council's consideration is a resolution for the purpose of approving the proposal submitted by CASA de Maryland, Inc. ("CASA") to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Community Investment Tax Credit ("CITC") Program. CASA is a valuable non-profit organization and service provider for Prince George's County.

CASA proposes to use up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) in tax credits to expand its Maryland Bilingual Adult Education Program (hereinafter the "Program"). The Program strives to improve economic opportunities and social integration for immigrants and low-income individuals by furthering adult education. The Program reaches over two thousand (2,000) individuals annually and includes the following components: English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes; Spanish literacy classes; computer literacy classes; a "Parent-as-Teachers" child development education program, complemented by industry-recognized vocational training; and financial literacy instruction. Trainings will be offered in partnership with local community colleges, Prince George's County Public Schools and the Montgomery Coalition for Adult English Literacy.

The Council's favorable consideration of this legislation is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my office or Eric C. Brown, Director, Department of Housing and Community Development at (301) 883-5531.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures