

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
SITTING AS THE DISTRICT COUNCIL
2024 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-031-2024

Proposed by The Chair – (By request – Planning Board)

Introduced by Council Members Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Hawkins, Olson,
Watson, and Franklin

Date of Introduction April 16, 2024

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 The Yates and Mary Boswell House

3 For the purpose of designating the Yates and Mary Boswell House (Documented Property 66-
4 029-09) as an Historic Site in Prince George’s County, Maryland.

5 WHEREAS, Section 29-120.01 of the Prince George’s County Code provides a process for
6 the owner(s) of an historic property to petition for designation as an historic site with the Prince
7 George’s County Historic Preservation Commission; and

8 WHEREAS, the Yates and Mary Boswell House, located at 6500 40st Avenue, University
9 Park, is significant as a substantially intact example of early twentieth century domestic
10 architecture in the Town of University Park, the Yates and Mary Boswell House and its 0.24-acre
11 Environmental Setting meets HPC Historic Site designation criteria (1)(A)(iv), (2)(A)(i),
12 (2)(A)(ii), and (2)(A)(v), and therefore could be designated as a Historic Site and included in the
13 Inventory of Historic Sites; and

14 WHEREAS, this property is a representative example of its type, period of construction,
15 and location; and

16 WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 29-120.01, the property owners,
17 Darragh and Emily McNally, filed a petition with the Historic Preservation Commission for
18 designation of their property as a historic site; and

19 WHEREAS, after proper posting and notice was given as required by law, the Prince
20 George’s County Historic Preservation Commission held a public hearing on September 19,

1 2023; and

2 WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission recommended that the Yates and Mary
3 Boswell House (Documented Property 66-029-09) and its 0.24-acre Environmental Setting (Lot
4 1 of Block 21, “Section 5A University Park”), be designated as a historic site based on the
5 designation criteria described above; and

6 WHEREAS, the Prince George’s County Council, sitting as the District Council, held a
7 joint public hearing on the significance of this property with the Prince George’s County
8 Planning Board on January 16, 2024; and

9 WHEREAS, the record of the hearing was left open until 5:00 p.m. on January 31, 2024;
10 and no additional testimony was received, and

11 WHEREAS, on February 15, 2024, the Prince George’s County Planning Board voted to
12 recommend that the Yates and Mary Boswell House be designated as an Historic Site; and

13 WHEREAS, on March 5, 2024, in accordance with provisions of the local laws, the District
14 Council convened as the Committee of the Whole to review the transcript analysis and Planning
15 Board recommendation as to the proposed designation and, after discussion, favorably voted to
16 direct the staff to prepare a Resolution of Approval as to the proposed Historic Site Designation.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
18 County, Maryland, sitting as the District Council for that part of the Maryland-Washington
19 Regional District in Prince George's County, Maryland, that the Yates and Mary Boswell House
20 (Documented Property 66-029-09) and its 0.24-acre Environmental Setting (Lot 1 of Block 21,
21 “Section 5A University Park”), is hereby designated as an Historic Site in Prince George’s
22 County, Maryland.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Clerk of the Council be directed to mail copies of this
2 Resolution to the Prince George’s County Historic Preservation Commission, the Prince
3 George’s County Planning Board, and Darragh and Emily McNally.

Adopted this 16th day of April, 2024.

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: _____
Jolene Ivey
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council