COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND 1997 Legislative Session

Resolution No.	CR-17-1997
Proposed by	Council Member Del Giudice
Introduced by	Council Member Del Giudice
Co-Sponsors	
Date of Introduction	March 18, 1997

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION concerning

Telecommuting and Home Business Task Force

For the purpose of establishing a Telecommuting and Home Business Task Force and recommending appropriate amendments to the County Code which will allow for greater permitted uses for home business enterprises to take advantage of new computer and communications technologies.

WHEREAS, telecommuting increases the time available for productive work, reduces or eliminates the need for transportation to a physical work site, and reduces or eliminates the stress and exposure to the demands of traditional commuting between homes and work sites;

WHEREAS, reduced commuting relieves the demand to construct, maintain and operate expensive transportation infrastructure;

WHEREAS, advances in computer and communications technology are transforming the traditional workplace by reducing the need to physically commute to an office to perform work;

WHEREAS, it is possible for increasing numbers of people to conduct business out of their homes; and

WHEREAS, the changes in computer and communications technology are having a dramatic effect on the business and economic development in Prince George's County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland that the Telecommuting and Home Business Task Force is hereby created to accumulate data on telecommuting and home-based businesses which maximize the use of

computer and communications technologies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Telecommuting and Home Business Task Force shall be comprised of fourteen members, currently involved in telecommuting or home-based businesses, and appointed in the following manner:

- (1) One Member shall be appointed by each Council Member;
- (2) One member shall be appointed by the County Executive;
- (3) One member shall be appointed by the Chamber of Commerce;
- (4) One member shall be appointed by the Board of Trade;
- (5) One member shall be appointed by the Prince George's County Association of Realtors; and
- (6) One member shall be appointed from the computer/communications technology industry.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Telecommuting and Home Business Task Force shall have a non-voting, ex-officio representative from the following agencies: Business and Regulatory Affairs; Department of Environmental Resources; Economic Development Corporation; Department of Housing and Community Development and Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council shall appoint appropriate staff to assist the Telecommuting and Home Business Task Force in its efforts as necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Telecommuting and Home Business Task Force shall present its findings and recommendations to the County Council within 120 calendar days from the date of its appointment.

Adopted this 6th day of May, 1997.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY:

Dorothy F. Bailey

Chair

ATTEST:

Joyce T. Sweeney Clerk of the Council