

1 WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) defines an
2 impediment to fair housing choice as any actions, omissions, or decisions that restrict, or have
3 the effect of restricting, the availability of housing choices, based on race, color, religion, sex,
4 disability, familial status, or national origin; and

5 WHEREAS, persons residing in Maryland have greater protection under the Maryland
6 Human Relations Act than under the Federal Fair Housing Act, which incorporates marital status
7 and sexual orientation as part of housing discrimination; and

8 WHEREAS, Section 2-185 of the Prince George’s County Code establishes the Human
9 Relation Commission; more importantly, Section 2-185 extends protection from discrimination
10 to include age, occupation, political opinion, and personal appearance; and

11 WHEREAS, the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice for Prince George’s
12 County – 2019 Update evaluated population, household, income and housing characteristics by
13 protected classes; evaluated public and private sector policies that impact fair housing choice;
14 identified blatant or de facto impediments to the fair housing choice, where any may have
15 existed; and recommended specific strategies to overcome the effects of any identified
16 impediments; and

17 WHEREAS, in order to continue to alleviate and eliminate the identified impediments
18 within Prince George’s County, a Fair Housing Action Plan was developed and will be reported
19 in the County’s Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) each
20 program year.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
22 County, Maryland, that the “Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice – 2019 Update,” a
23 copy of which shall be marked for identification by the Clerk of the County Council and
24 maintained as a permanent record, is hereby approved, in accordance with the draft Analysis of
25 Impediments to Fair Housing Choice – 2019 Update, Attachment “A,” attached hereto and made
26 a part hereof.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the adoption of this Resolution, it shall be
28 transmitted to the County Executive by the Clerk of the Council, and that the County Executive
29 or his designee is hereby authorized and empowered as the official representative of Prince
30 George’s County to submit the approved “Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice for
31 Prince George’s County – 2019 Update” to HUD, along with all assurances contained therein, to

1 act as necessary in connection with the submission, and to provide such additional information to
2 HUD as may be required.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall become effective as of the date of
4 its adoption.

Adopted this 23rd day of July, 2019.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Todd M. Turner
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Acting Clerk of the Council