

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**

**2001 Legislative Session**

Resolution No. CR-1-2001

Proposed by The Chairman (by request – County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Russell, Bailey, Shapiro, Scott, Hendershot and Wilson

Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Introduction January 16, 2001

**RESOLUTION**

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Charter Review Commission

3 For the purpose of establishing a Charter Review Commission to review the provisions of the  
4 Prince George's County Charter, providing for the selection of the Commission and requiring  
5 recommendations to the County Executive and the County Council within a certain period of  
6 time.

7 WHEREAS, the Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland was adopted by the voters  
8 of the County at the General Election on November 3, 1970; and

9 WHEREAS, the provisions of the Charter took effect on December 3, 1970, and the first  
10 County Executive and additional members of the County Council were elected on January 26,  
11 1971; and

12 WHEREAS, while there have been numerous amendments of the Charter since its adoption,  
13 there has been no formal review of the document and its provisions since 1983, which review  
14 was very limited in scope; and

15 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to undertake a thoughtful and deliberative process to review  
16 the provisions of the Charter; and

17 WHEREAS, Section 506 of the Charter provides that the Council or the County Executive  
18 may appoint, for designated periods, one or more temporary advisory boards of citizens of the  
19 County who shall assist in the consideration of County policies and programs; and

20 WHEREAS, the County Executive has proposed to the Council the joint creation of a  
21 citizens advisory board to review the provisions of the Charter;

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's

1 County, Maryland, that a temporary advisory board of citizens of the County is hereby created,  
2 which shall be known as the 2001 Charter Review Commission.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2001 Charter Review Commission shall consist of  
4 seven (7) citizens, four (4) citizens appointed by the County Executive and three (3) citizens  
5 appointed by the County Council.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Executive shall nominate one of the  
7 members of the Commission to serve as Chairman, subject to the concurrence of the County  
8 Council.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2001 Charter Review Commission shall study the  
10 provisions of the Charter of Prince George's County, seeking extensive public comment, and  
11 shall make recommendations to the County Executive and County Council by January 30, 2002.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Administrative Officer shall provide  
13 appropriate staff and clerical support for the Charter Review Commission.

Adopted this 13th day of February, 2001.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ronald V. Russell  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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Joyce T. Sweeney  
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Wayne K. Curry  
County Executive