

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

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REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0 (In Favor: Council Members Streater, Turner, Dernoga, Glaros, and Taveras)

The Committee convened on June 9, 2022, to consider the appointment of the following individuals to serve on the Animal Control Commission for Prince George's County:

Mr. Bonaventure Akinlosotu (Appointment)

Replacing: Connie Carter

Term Expiration: 3/30/2024

Ms. Caitrin E. Conroy (Appointment)

Replacing: Mary Prettyman

Term Expiration: 3/30/2024

Ms. Kathleen DeNobile (Appointment)

Replacing: Virginia May

Term Expiration: 3/30/2024

The appointment package was transmitted to the Council by County Executive Alsobrooks on May 6, 2022. The Public Hearing on these appointments is scheduled for July 5, 2022. Miriam Brewer, the County Executive's Appointments Liaison, introduced the appointees to the Committee, providing an overview of their backgrounds and qualifications.

Mr. Bonaventure Akinlosotu, a resident of Bowie, is a Regulatory Scientist with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), where he serves as the agency's acute toxicity data review point of contact and prepares precautionary labeling of pesticide chemicals and/or products. He previously served from 1988 to 1996 as a Professor of Veterinary Science at Tuskegee University School of Veterinary Medicine, School of Nursing and Allied Health. Mr. Akinlosotu earned his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees and post-Doc studies at Tuskegee University; his Master of Education from Auburn University; and his Doctorate degree from Clemson University.

Ms. Caitrin E. Conroy, a resident of Temple Hills, is a Manager of Training and Professional Development with the Washington Regional Transplant Community. She is called upon daily to be diplomatic and tactful with professionals and non-professionals while making sound decisions under pressure. She previously was an EMS Lieutenant in the City of Richmond, Virginia and worked with the Richmond Police Department. Ms. Conroy obtained certification as a K-9 Medic, serving Richmond City and the surrounding K-9 units, and supporting them through training, searches, injuries, and emergencies.

Ms. Kathleen DeNobile, a resident of College Park, is the owner of DeNobile Law which was opened in 2017 and focuses on Criminal, Traffic, Family, and Landlord-Tenant issues. She has substantial experience dealing with all forms of animals from domestic pets to endangered raptors and is a Foster Parent with Lucky Dog Animal Rescue. Ms. DeNobile received her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Maryland, College Park, and her Juris Doctor from University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law. The appointees provided remarks regarding their desire to serve and answered questions from the Committee.

After the discussion, the Committee voted favorably on the appointments by a vote of 5-0.