COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND 2017 Legislative Session

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| Proposed by | Council Member Glaros | |
| Introduced by | | |
| Co-Sponsors | | |
| Date of Introduction | June 6, 2017 | |

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION concerning

Promoting Clean Neighborhoods

For the purpose of requiring the Department of the Environment to promulgate regulations for curbside collection and on-premise collection of trash and recyclables; requiring outreach to persons who are eligible to obtain, and those who already obtain on-premise collection services; providing for certain fines; and generally relating to curbside collection and on-premise collection service of trash and recyclables.

WHEREAS, County refuse collection services are provided through County collection trucks for white goods and bulky trash, and contracts with private refuse collection firms for refuse, recycling, and yard waste. Most households receive curbside collection and reasonable accommodations are made for elderly and disabled individuals. The County provides refuse collection services to approximately 162,000 households; and

WHEREAS, County recycling collection services are provided through County contracts with private recycling collection firms. The County provides recycling collection services to approximately 172, 000 households; and

WHEREAS, there are more households receiving recycling collection service than trash collection service due to some municipalities participating in the County's recycling program; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-384.01 of the County Code, the County shall provide on-premise collection service, to any household in which all of the residents are physically unable by reason of age or infirmity to carry trash to the curb. Any person who is more than sixty-five (65) years of age shall be deemed to be unable to carry trash to the curb; and

WHEREAS, curbside collection and on-premise collection of trash and recyclables are paramount in promoting Clean Neighborhoods and are integral to the health, safety, and welfare of residents of the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21-120 of the County Code, the Department of the Environment has the authority to make regulations with the consent to the County Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the County Council is hereby requiring the Department of the Environment to promulgate regulations for curbside collection and on-premise collection of trash and recyclables, as follows:

- 1. Trash and recycling containers may be put at the curb for collection no earlier than 6:00 p.m. the day prior to the scheduled collection and must be removed from the curb on the day of the scheduled collection.
- 2. Trash must be placed in a metal or tough plastic container with handles and a tight-fitting lid, with a maximum weight of 60 lbs.
- 3. A maximum of one plastic bag that can be picked up and carried without tearing and securely tied at the top to prevent spillage may be used per residence per collection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of the Environment shall provide outreach to those persons it supplies, or will supply, on-premise collection, which are physically unable by reason of age or infirmity to carry trash to the curb, including, but not limited to eligibility and application for the services, accessing the services, and a description of the services provided; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a person shall be liable for a civil fine for a violation of curbside collection regulations. If the violation is of a continuing nature, each and every day during which the violation continues is a separate violation. Persons shall be fined for failure to comply with the curbside collection regulation. The first offense shall be a warning and the second offense and subsequent offenses shall be a fine of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) each.

| Adopted this | day of | , 2017. |
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| | | COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND |
| | | BY: Derrick Leon Davis |
| | | Chairman |
| ATTEST: | | |
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| Redis C. Floyd Clerk of the Council | | _ |