

## THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

ANDREA C. HARRISON, Chair Council Member - District 5

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Hon. Rushern L. Baker, III Prince George's County Executive County Administration Building 14741 Governor Oden Bowie Drive Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Hon. Segun Eubanks, Chair Prince George's County Board of Education Sasscer Administration Building 14201 School Lane Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Dear County Executive Baker and Chair Eubanks:

I write on behalf of the Prince George's County Council to transmit the appointment of Mr. Curtis Valentine to the Prince George's County Board of Education ("Board") pursuant to Section 3-1002 (f)(1)(II) of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (HB 1107 – Chapter 147 of the Laws of Maryland 2013) effective today.

Mr. Curtis Valentine, a resident of Fort Washington, is a parent of a student enrolled in the Prince George's Public School system as of the date of his appointment. Mr. Valentine is currently working with The Imagine Foundation, has been selected for an International Affairs Fellowship with the Council of Foreign Relations, was the founding Executive Director of MARYLANDCAN: Maryland Campaign for Achievement Now and a former Design and Development Officer for World Vision. He is also an active member of the John Hanson Montessori School Parent Teacher Association (PTA), is a former teacher in the Prince George's County School system and a contributor to several Washington, D.C. area publications. Mr. Valentine holds a Masters in Public Policy from Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government and a Bachelors of Arts in English from Morehouse College. Attached for your information is Mr. Valentine's application for the Board of Education position.

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The County Council feels that Mr. Valentine will be a good asset to the Board and will work effectively with all the public school stakeholders. We look forward to the continued cooperative working relationship as the Board of Education transitions to its new form and purpose under State law with a unified goal of enhancing our educational system and meeting the priority needs of the students of the Prince George's County Public Schools. If you have any questions, or need additional information, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Andrea C. Harrison

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Chair

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cc: Hon. Martin O'Malley, Governor

Hon. Anthony Brown, Lt. Governor

Hon. Douglas J.J. Peters, Chair, P.G.C. Senate Delegation

Hon. Jolene Ivey, Chair, P.G.C. House Delegation

Dr. Charlene M. Dukes, Chair, State Board of Education

Dr. Alvin Crawley, Interim School Superintendent, P.G.C. Public Schools

Members, Prince George's Board of Education