COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND 2019 Legislative Session

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2019 Legislative Session			
	Resolution No.	CR-19-2019	
	Proposed by	The Chair (by request – County Executive)	
	Introduced by	Council Members Ivey, Harrison, Anderson-Walker, Turner,	
		Streeter, Glaros, Dernoga, Taveras, Hawkins and Davis	
	Date of Introdu	ction March 12, 2019	
RESOLUTION			
	A RESOLUTION concerning		
		Military Leave	
	For the purpose of amending the Salary Plan of the County to reflect the continuation of certain		
	military leave benefits and the eligibility requirements for certain military leave benefits.		
	WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 903 of the Prince George's County Charter and Section		
	16-125(a) of the Prince George's County Code, amendments to the County's Salary Plan are to		
	be submitted to the County Council in resolution form; and		
	WHEREAS, the County Executive has recommended that the Salary Plan be amended to		
	reflect the continuation of certain military leave benefits; and		
	WHEREAS, Section 1017 of the Charter provides that a resolution has the force and effect		
	of law of a temporary or administrative character; and		
	WHEREAS, the County Executive has authorized the Director of Human Resources		
	Management of Prince George's County to continue to provide a salary supplement and		
	eligibility for the continuation of health care benefits for County employees who are ordered to		
	active duty in the National Guard of the United States or the Reserves as a result of the		
	September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, the resultant war on terrorism or other military action; and		
	WHEREAS, there are County employees who were ordered to active duty in the National		
	Guard of the United States or the Reserves as a result of ongoing military action who are		
	currently receiving benefits established by CR-8-2017; and		
	WHEREAS, the benefits authorized by CR-8-2017 will terminate on March 1, 2019		
	without further action; and		
	WHEREAS	S, in answering the call to military action, County employees serving in the	
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National Guard and Reserves and their families continue to bear a strain that was unforeseen when this benefit was first established; and

WHEREAS, in light of the current state of military affairs, the County Executive has determined that a continuation of the military leave program should be made at this time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the continuation of the military leave health care benefits previously provided by CR-8-2017 are hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that eligibility for the salary supplement benefit established by CR-8-2017 shall be continued such that employees shall be eligible to receive payment of a salary supplement equal to the difference between the employee's base rate of pay and the employee's base military rate of pay, without the exhaustion of the employee's annual, personal and compensatory leave balances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Council hereby approves the following amendment to all Salary Schedules of the Salary Plan of the County, submitted and recommended by the County Executive:

The following language is hereby included in each Salary Schedule:

"Any employee called up to active military service in response to the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, the resultant war on terrorism or other military action shall be eligible for the benefits set forth herein: Payment of a salary supplement equal to the difference between the employee's base rate of pay and the employee's base military rate of pay, without the exhaustion of the employee's annual, personal and compensatory leave balances. Eligibility for health care benefits to continue once the employee enters a leave without pay status with both the employer and the employee contributions of the premium being paid by the County."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County shall provide funds for the salary supplement benefit as determined by the County Executive.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the military leave benefits established by this Resolution shall continue as established by CR-8-2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the benefits provided for by this Resolution shall expire on March 1, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect on the date it is adopted and shall be retroactively effective to March 1, 2019.

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Adopted this $\underline{12^{\text{th}}}$ day of <u>March</u>, 2019.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

Chair

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd Clerk of the Council