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PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT Office of the County Executive

February 5, 2021

The Honorable Calvin Hawkins Council Chair Prince George's County Council County Administration Building 14741 Governor Oden Bowie Drive Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772

Dear Chair Hawkins:

Enclosed for the County Council's consideration is a Resolution that seeks the County Council's approval to exempt all of the School Facilities Surcharge for the development of a mixed-use undergraduate student housing community at University of Maryland, College Park – the Union on Knox Road.

The one hundred thirty-eight million (\$138 million) development project, led by Terrapin Development Company, will provide 341 units of student housing and approximately 20,000 square feet of retail. The project also includes enhancements to the Baltimore Avenue corridor through quality design, the creation of a dynamic festival street with retail, a new staircase that connects the campus to downtown College Park, modernizing Lehigh Road into a complete street, and improving the existing public Southgate Park. The combination of this project's economic contributions to Prince George's County and the City of College Park, and the fact that this project will not create any additional demand on existing public-school resources are the reason we are requesting this waiver.

The Council's favorable consideration of this legislation is greatly appreciated. Should you require additional information, please contact Angie Rodgers, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Economic Development, at (240) 623-4297.

Sincerely,

Angela D. Alsobrooks County Executive

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