

Approved at the September 9, 2013 Delegate Assembly

RESOLUTION OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY CIVIC FEDERATION REGARDING
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CLARKSBURG MASTER PLAN FOR THE TEN MILE
CREEK WATERSHED AREA

Whereas, Ten Mile Creek in Clarksburg, Maryland is the cleanest tributary to Little Seneca Reservoir and a crucial part of the greater metropolitan Washington, DC region's drinking water supply; and

Whereas, the Montgomery County Planning Board and the Montgomery County Council are considering amendments to the 1994 Clarksburg Master Plan to significantly increase development in the protected Ten Mile Creek watershed that would degrade water quality and jeopardize the regional water supply; and

Whereas, proposed development in the Ten Mile Creek watershed would divert public resources and infrastructure away from the Clarksburg Town Center and could further delay the provision of important community amenities in the Clarksburg Town Center which were provided for in the 1994 Master Plan; and

Whereas, the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition, comprised of such organizations as the Montgomery Countryside Alliance, Conservation Montgomery, the Sierra Club, the Audubon Naturalist Society, Upcounty Action, Clean Water Action, Coalition for Smarter Growth, and the Stormwater Partners Network, has been working to protect the Washington, DC region's water supply by ensuring smart development in upper Montgomery County;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Montgomery County Civic Federation supports the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition and its efforts to preserve and protect the Ten Mile Creek watershed, the regional water supply, and the natural environment in the surrounding area; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that that Montgomery County Civic Federation calls upon the Montgomery County Planning Board and the Montgomery County Council to protect the Ten Mile Creek watershed by rejecting development proposals that would significantly increase impervious surfaces, increase pollution, and the degradation of Little Seneca Reservoir; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Montgomery County Civic Federation supports the Livable Clarksburg Coalition, the Save Ten Mile Creek Coalition and all other organizations that are committed to helping the residents of Clarksburg to obtain the amenities needed in Clarksburg Town Center and promised in the Clarksburg Master Plan.