



Resolution to Support Nine Districts for MoCo Ballot Referendum

Whereas, the current County Council structure has been in place since 1968, when the population was 523,000, and it's now more than 1.1 million, a 110% increase; and

Whereas, out of the 50 most populous counties in the United States, Montgomery County is one of only nine counties with at-large legislators; and

Whereas, each of the five Council districts has grown to include at least 200,000 residents, more than our Maryland State Legislative Districts, which include about 120,000 residents; and

Whereas, increasing the number of Council districts to nine and eliminating the at-large seats will guarantee smaller districts, more responsive representation, and an avenue for our voices to be heard;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Montgomery County Civic Federation supports the citizen-initiated measure proposed by Nine Districts for MoCo to place a referendum on the ballot to increase the number of Council districts to nine and eliminate at-large seats.

Adopted at the March 9, 2020, General Meeting #911 of the Montgomery County Civic Association