

December 11, 2023

Honorable Andrew Friedson, President Montgomery County Council

Re: Bill 33-23 - Police - Voluntary Registry for Emergency 911 Calls Established

Dear President Friedson:

The Advisory Commission on Policing (ACP) has discussed Bill 33-23.

The ACP is supportive of the spirit and intent of the bill. But it is concerned that this program be in complete compliance with applicable federal, state, and local privacy laws and that the information is fully and appropriately safeguarded. We recommend that the County Council, before voting on the bill, obtain a thorough review by the County Attorney to assure that the legislation proposed creating voluntary registry, and the use of the information provided to it, be in compliance with all applicable privacy laws

Thank you very much.

Eric E. Sterling, Chair Advisory Commission on Policing