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Dear Montgomery County Council,

We are writing today in support of Montgomery Community Media (MCM) and to encourage continued full financial support by the Montgomery County Council of its work for our community.

Adventure Theatre MTC (ATMTC) and MCM have a long history of collaboration and partnership. In the past couple years, MCM has helped tell ATMTC's story by

- Covering the 2018 fire at our Glen Echo location, including damage, impact, and need
- Producing videos for our annual gala, helping to share the impact ATMTC has in the lives of area children—especially those who wouldn't otherwise have access to the arts—through musical theatre training
- Documenting ATMTC's reimagining of *Big River* as a piece for Theatre for Young Audiences
- Building networks for ATMTC through invitations to broadcasts of the Small Business Network at MCM
- Recognizing for the community the impact of Michael J. Bobbitt's 12-year tenure as ATMTC's Artistic Director and his contributions to EDI both locally and nationally upon his appointment at New Rep Theatre in Boston
- Featuring ATMTC's new Artistic Director Chil Kong and his vision for deepening ATMTC's commitment to and work with community

Over the past several months, MCM produced a new video for our Gala (sadly cancelled by the COVID-19 pandemic) and will include a shorter version of that video on its channels through the coming year. In addition, MCM staff have reached out to ATMTC on COVID-19 impact in the Montgomery County Arts Community and on ATMTC's developing project with the county's Latino/Hispanic community on new productions for the coming theatrical season.

Please join us in supporting the vital role MCM plays in our community by approving its full budget allocation.

With thanks,

Leon Seemann
Executive Director