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Councilmember, Jawando Council Vice President Albornoz 100 Maryland Ave Rockville, MD 20850

Dear Councilmember, Jawando, Council Vice President Albornoz and the entire committee. My name is Cynthia Hill-Frazier, I am a Montgomery County resident for over 42 years. I have been blessed to raise my five daughters here in the Montgomery County Public School, all while struggling with low- income.

First, I would like to thank you for this opportunity to share my testimony in support of the Guarantee Income Polit Project; FY22 Operation Budget. This project will change lives, minds and hearts of our low-income residents. With your leadership and guidance, the reward of this project with be unmeasurable value and yet with endless possibility. And may I add, how excited I am to witness such a wonderful opportunity for all participants?

Secondly, the Guarantee Income Polit Project will supply a new avenue of resources as a helping hand. It will advocate for our residents with a clear trajectory of meeting their households needs in advance. A helping hand that will say to the recipients that we see you, we hear you and we wish you well. It is my opinion the eight hundred dollars a month is a large enough amount, and the two years is a duration long enough to ensure a successful outcome. The GIPP funding will offer a steady stream of resources to advocate before the recipient fall in need and to prevent a crisis. The GIPP will supply each household added resources to better their transportation, housing, education and monthly expensive to enhance their lives. The GIPP funding will have the power to lift three hundred households out of poverty and grant our community a reward of accomplishment as an innovative leader.

In addition, the GIPP will help me personally, as a mother of five adult daughters, all who have successful careers: a Police Officer, two Human Resources Manager, an Attorney and a Computer Engineer and my third daughter is a thirty-two-year cancer survivor. Our household have managed to succeed despite our struggles with lack of money. Now our household is a household of one and the GIPP funding my life with the ability to complete my degree in Marketing. To provide me with a car, and to help me achieve my purpose in life as the creator and founder of my hybrid for-profit and non- profit organization entitled Steppingstone to New Life and Candace and Friends Childhood Cancer Foundation, supporting other families of children with cancer and life-threatening illness. The GIPP funds will enhance my household from low income to moderate and strengthening ability to succeed.

Finally, again thank you for this opportunity to testify to such a wonderful project. It is with great pride that I share this opportunity with you, and I wish you well and success in all that you do.

Best Regards,

Cynthia Hill-Frazier