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Bethesda, MD 20817
March 4, 2026

Re: ZTA 26-01: Data Centers

Dear Montgomery County Council Members:

I am writing to you about the above proposed zoning text amendment. Please vote against it as there is more work to be done before moving forward with data centers.

The County should develop a policy based on thorough research before this zoning action is considered. Both environmental and cost impacts must be well understood first.

Though ongoing poor decisions about land development and building environmentally damaging industries, we have been killing the very planet we rely upon to live. A short-term view by chasing data center jobs and tax revenue, while giving up on our planet's health (including that of humans), has proven disastrous over and over again.

I hope there is no need for me to ask that you be skeptical of information provided by people who have a financial interest in seeing something happen. By no fault of their own, they are not an objective information source.

Please make sure the environmental impacts of data centers are adequately studied and understood. As our elected representatives, we rely upon you to be well-informed by reliable sources when making decisions about land use, including the proposed data center in Dickerson.

Thank-you for considering my comments.



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