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Montgomery County OIG Passes Independent Peer Review

Rockville, Maryland – Montgomery County Maryland Inspector (IG) General Megan Davey Limarzi announced today that the Montgomery County Office of the Inspector General (OIG) recently received a unanimous passing rating in a recent peer review conducted by the Association of Inspectors General (AIG). The AIG issued the finding after evaluating the OIG's investigations, audits, reviews and internal procedures against the standards established by the *AIG's Principles and Standards for Offices of Inspector General* and the *United States Government Accountability Office (GAO)*.

The objective of a peer review is to determine whether the organization's internal quality control system is adequate as designed and provides reasonable assurance that the organization is following applicable standards, policies, and procedures. Montgomery County Code Section 2-151(h)(3) requires that the Inspector General comply with applicable generally accepted government auditing standards. Those standards require organizations to obtain an external peer review by an independent party every three years.

Inspector General (IG) Limarzi acknowledges that this distinction is only possible because of the hard work of the OIG's team of dedicated professionals. IG Limarzi also expresses her gratitude to the County Council, County Executive, county employees, and residents for their continued support of the OIG.

The AIG's *Opinion Letter* can be found at the OIG's website.

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