



WHEATON URBAN DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Isiah Leggett
County Executive

Luisa Montero-Diaz
Director

December 7, 2017

County Executive Isiah Leggett
101 Monroe Street, 2nd Floor
Rockville, MD 20850

Dear County Executive Leggett:

The Wheaton Urban District Advisory Committee (WUDAC) would like to express our appreciation for the County's support for the inaugural Wheaton Arts Parade on September 24, 2017. It was a wonderful event that brought the community together, showcased our artists and enlivened the Urban District.

In particular, we'd like to thank the Montgomery County Recreation Department and the Montgomery County Parks and Planning Departments for providing funds that enabled the parade to pay for the services of the police department and the Urban District's Clean and Safe Team. We also would like to recognize the support provided by Luisa Montero, Joe Calloway and Sgt. Andy Loudermilk in planning and executing the event, which was organized by Wheaton residents Dan Thompson and Jim Epstein.

We appreciate your being there along with Council Members Berliner, Navarro, Elrich, Floreen and Leventhal, to celebrate Wheaton--its diversity and its potential as an Arts and Entertainment District. We also appreciate the County Council's support of the Arts and Humanities Council's Wheaton Cultural Project Grants that provided funding for the Wheaton Arts Parade.

WUDAC believes the event was successful and we would like to see the Arts Parade become an annual, signature event in Wheaton. We request that the County continue its support for this event and we look forward to further cooperation with county departments on the arts in Wheaton.

Sincerely,

Leah V. Haygood
Chair, Wheaton Urban District Advisory Committee

cc:

County Council members
Gabriel Albornoz, Director, Montgomery County Department of Recreation
Michael Riley, Director, Montgomery Parks
Gwen Wright, Director, Montgomery Planning
Suzan Jenkins, CEO, Montgomery County Arts and Humanities Council