The Town of Forest Heights Resolution 03-13

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE TOWN'S APPLICATION FOR AN INDIVIDUAL BOND BILL REQUEST TO THE 2013 SESSION OF THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Introduced by: Mayor Jacqueline Goodall

WHEREAS, each year the Maryland General Assembly and the local delegation entertains requests to assist those entities and local governments requesting funding from the General Assembly for capital projects through the submission of bond bills; and

WHEREAS, the Guidelines for the Submission of Individual Bond Bill Requests to the Maryland General Assembly, available on-line, is published by the Department of Legislative Services ("DLS") to assist those requesting funding from the General Assembly for capital projects through the submission of bond bills, and said manual provides a summary of the basic eligibility requirements and evaluation criteria, the legislative process, and the schedule for bond bill consideration by the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the said *Guidelines* state that a bond bill may provide for an equal and matching fund, or an unequal and matching fund, or may not require a matching fund at all, and the matching fund required may be hard (cash), or soft (allowing for the use of a combination of real property, in-kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of the Act), and in some instances, there may be no requirement for a matching fund; and

WHEREAS, the Town Charter pursuant to § 33-20(25) authorizes the Town to accept gifts and grants of Federal or of State funds from the Federal or State governments or any agency thereof, and to expend the same for any lawful public purpose, agreeably to the conditions under which the gifts or grants were made; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council find it to be in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the Town's residents to apply for a State Bond bill to fund upgrades and improvements to the Town's municipal building and its real property.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Town Council of The Town of Forest Heights, Maryland hereby authorizes the Mayor or her designee to formally request or apply for funding from the General Assembly for capital projects through the submission of a bond bill for the above stated purposes, subject to any subsequent grant or bond bill agreement that may be forthcoming and approved by Council as a condition of any funding to be made available to the Town;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the recitals and exhibits referenced above are hereby restated herein and incorporated by reference into this Resolution.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

PASSED this 7th January, 2013.

APPROVED: By Resolution of the Town Council of The Town of Forest Heights, Maryland.

ROLL CALL VOTE	YEA/NAY/ABSTAIN/ABSENT
GOODALL	YEA
KENNEDY II	YEA
STONER	YEA
BARNES	YEA
CLARKE	YEA
SMITH-BARNES	YEA
REIFSNEIDER	YEA

ATTEST:

Bonita C. Anderson, Town Clerk

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND

Jacqueline Goodall, Mayor

C. Lynn Smith-Barnes, Council President