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The Honorable Richard Madaleno, Chair
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The Honorable Brian Feldman, Chair
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Ellen Bogage
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Dear Senator Madaleno, Delegate Feldman, and Distinguished Members of the Montgomery County Delegation:

Lori Wilen
Second Vice President
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In view of the current economic times facing both Montgomery County and the State of Maryland we are encouraging a fresh look at all county government activities in accord with the recent findings of the Montgomery County Organizational Reform Commission. We would like to voice our opinion in favor of the proposed consolidation of the Park police into the Montgomery County Police Department. For your information, at our February 8th meeting, we passed the following resolution:

**Theresa Kyne
Robinson**
Recording Secretary
OLNEY OAKS

"Whereas the County's Organizational Reform Commission has recommended:

1. *"...the incorporation of Park Police into the Montgomery County Police Department."* and
2. *"...[the] transfer [of] all "park user services" to the Executive Branch of County government by folding them into the Recreation Department and retaining the park planning functions within M-NCPPC, along with the environmental stewardship of natural, historic, and cultural resources on park property."; and*

Whereas, the Montgomery County Delegation to the General Assembly has before it a bill to authorize inter alia, these recommendations in MC/PG112-11; and,

Whereas, this bill will be heard and considered at a public hearing by the delegation on February 25; and,

Whereas, in the current fiscal emergency and for sound and prudent management generally, it may be deemed appropriate to merge the two police agencies into one;

Now therefore be it resolved by the Greater Olney Civic Association, that this organization endorses and approves the adoption of the aforesaid legislation.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions about our resolution or require any further information. Thanks very much for your consideration.

Sincerely Yours,

Matt Zaborsky

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President