

## The Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations, Inc.

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**Dear Supervisor Storck** 

June 23, 2016

Ref: Huntington Metrorail Station Safety and Appearance Resolution (Tran) 2016-02

I am transmitting the attached resolution to you on behalf of the MVCCA for your consideration and action. The concerns expressed in this resolution have been personally observed or experienced by not only our members but by two of the co-chairs.

It is with this personal experience that we ask for your assistance with this matter. We believe better jurisdictional coordination between Metro Police and Fairfax County Police can help rectify the points made in the attached resolution.

Sincerely,

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Katherine Ward Co-Chair MVCCA

Enclosed: MVCCA Resolution (Tran) 2016-02 Safety and Appearance at the Huntington Metro Station

## **MVCCA (Trans) Resolution 2016-02**

## Safety and Appearance at the Huntington Metrorail Station

Whereas (1): Citizen complaints have been received concerning pedestrian safety, public safety and the appearance within the Huntington Metrorail Station and its parking structures and approaches;

Whereas (2): The Metrorail Station and its garages are poorly lit and Metro riders maintain that they feel at risk;

Whereas (3): Multiple break-ins of cars parked in the station's parking structures have been reported;

Whereas (4): There are no pedestrian pathways or safety island markings on the pavement within the Metrorail Station to protect pedestrians from speeding motorists, nor are there any measures taken to slow down circulating traffic;

Whereas (5): Vehicles entering and exiting the Metrorail Station have been observed speeding and drivers were frequently inattentive to traffic signals and not yielding to pedestrians;

Whereas (6): To further promote pedestrian safety, pavement markings and pedestrianoperated signals are needed at the approaches to the Metrorail Station;

Whereas (7): Metro riders are noting a lack of cleanliness within the station and garages, stairwells contain trash and smell bad and they report that the station currently lacks the appearance appropriate for our national capital;

Whereas (8): The correction of the above listed deficiencies should not be too difficult to achieve and should be affordable, even within Metro's tight budget.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the Mount Vernon District Supervisor contact Metro's General Manager and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Paul J. Wiedefeld and advise him of our citizen complaints and request expeditious corrections in a spirit of maintaining the Huntington Metrorail Station as a positive beacon, impressing visitors to the Mount Vernon District's historical sites and satisfying the expectations of our daily Metro commuters.